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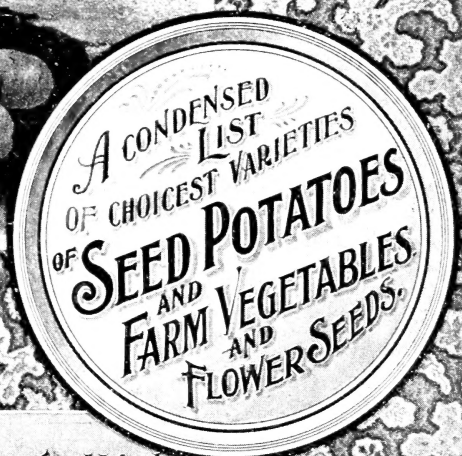
Annual Catalogue
OF HARRY N. HAMMOND
SEEDSMAN

LARGEST GROWER OF SEED POTATOES AND FARM SEEDS IN THE WORLD

EARLY MICHIGAN
WITHOUT A PEER FOR EARLINESS
AND
PRODUCTIVENESS

A HILL
OF
MICHIGAN
FROM A
PHOTOGRAPH

SHOWING HABIT
OF GROWTH IN HILL



Decatur, Van Buren & Mich.

JANUARY 1, 1898.

To My Friends and Patrons:==

ANOTHER YEAR has come and gone. Again I hand you my **ANNUAL CATALOGUE** of **SEED POTATOES, FARM, GARDEN and FLOWER SEEDS**. My Catalogue may not appear as attractive as catalogues with *larger pages*, more alluring illustrations, and elaborate descriptions that are often over-drawn. But you will find my prices right, and **Seeds the Best that Grow**.

The past few years have been unprofitable alike to the Farmer, Gardener and Seedsman; therefore I have condensed my Catalogue into its present form, as the edition is so large that by thus reducing cost of postage, printing, etc., I save \$10,000, and thus am able to offer

Lower Prices for **Best Michigan Northern Crown SEED POTATOES, FARM and GARDEN SEEDS**, than ever quoted before, the **High Quality** of my **SEEDS** considered, and further, I make this my **BANNER Introduction Year**.

By giving away Free **500,000 packets** of **Vegetable and Flower Seeds** I will not make a dollar in the seed business this year, as I intend to gain 100,000 new customers for **Hammond's Seeds**, and in order to do so I am selling **everything in this Catalogue** at **actual cost** of growing, and printing this Catalogue. And, besides the low prices, I offer you the **Best Seed Potatoes** and other **Seeds that Grow**. I will distribute free, for trial, 500,000 packets of **Choicest Novelties in Vegetable and Flower Seeds in America**. I want to introduce my **Michigan Northern Crown New Muck Land Seed Potatoes, Farm and Garden Seeds** everywhere, and am willing to spend **\$15,000** to do so.

As I have never lost, to my knowledge, a single customer who has purchased my **Superior Seeds**, I am confident that, on receipt of your **trial order**, you will always continue **my customer**. In these times of sharp competition you should purchase your Seeds, as well as everything else, at lowest prices possible for **Best Seeds obtainable**. No Seedsman in America can sell you **as good seeds** as I offer this year for less money. I do not think any other **Seedsman** has the **confidence** in the **high quality** of his Seed that I have, to make the liberal offer I am making to introduce them everywhere. Read carefully my **Free Seed Distribution** on Cover of Catalogue and Envelope.

MICHIGAN CROWN NEW MUCK LAND SEED POTATOES is my great **SPECIALTY**.

I am the **LARGEST CROWER** of **SEED POTATOES, FARM and GARDEN SEEDS** in the **WORLD**, having over **3,000 acres** under cultivation in 1897. **575 acres** of **Seed Potatoes** alone. Besides growing my own supply of Seeds, I have made a specialty of Seed Growing for fifteen years. I grow hundreds of acres on contract for leading Philadelphia, New York and Chicago seedsmen. The leading seedsmen procure their supplies of me, as my *Michigan Grown Seeds* have proven superior to all others. It is just in recent years that I began offering seeds at retail. As I grow and produce my seeds cheaper than the city seedsman, who must purchase his supply, having my Offices and Warehouse^s on my *Seed Farm*, with no city rents or large city warehouses to pay interest and taxes on, I can and will sell you the **Best Seeds** America can produce at prices you can afford to pay. My total crop of Seed Potatoes for 1897 was **87,400 bushels**, or **235 carloads**. If shipped at one time would make one solid train of **Seed Potatoes** over one and three-quarter miles in length.

If you are a dealer, and want from one to fifty carloads, write us the varieties and the quantity of each you are in need of, and I will quote prices that will astonish you.

MY PEDIGREE SEED POTATOES.

I exercise the greatest care in selecting my Seed Potatoes. I plant only **large, handsome potatoes** of desirable **shape**, discarding every **prongy one** and those showing the least sign of **disease**. By this painstaking care of several years, I have established the **finest strains** of all varieties I sell. Grown as they are, upon these **Michigan New Muck Lands**, especially fitted by the **Creator** for potatoes, and from **Pedigree Seed**, no wonder they produce earlier and larger crops than those from any other section of our country. The varieties I offer are the **choicest quality**, largest **yielding** sorts ever offered the American potato grower.

REFERENCES.

To those with whom I have had no dealings, and not knowing whether I am reliable or not, I would respectfully refer you to the following as to my standing: First State Bank and Postmaster, Decatur, Mich., or editors of any of the leading agricultural papers, whose addresses I will cheerfully furnish upon application.

SEEDS POSTPAID BY MAIL.

In considering our prices, both of new and standard Vegetable and Flower Seeds, please bear in mind that **WE PAY THE POSTAGE** on all Flower and Vegetable Seeds, by the packet, ounce, pound, pint, or quart

On all Vegetable Seeds ordered by **express** or **freight** the purchaser is **entitled to deduct 8 cents per pound from the prices quoted**. In ordering, please state distinctly whether the goods are to be sent by express or freight, otherwise we will use our own judgment as to the best route. When large quantities of Field Seeds, or other heavy seeds are required, it is better to **order early**, so that they can be sent by **freight**, as the charges are much cheaper than by express. Small orders, however, can often be sent as cheaply by express.

Be sure and give Freight or Express Office, if different from your Post Office.

HOW TO ORDER.

Please be **very careful** to always sign your **name, Post Office, County, and State** on **each and every letter** sent us. Cash should always accompany the order. Money can be sent safely either by post office order, bank draft, express, or cash by registered letter. **I accept postage stamps the same as cash**. The efficiency of the Post Office Department is such, however, that rarely a letter or package is lost or stolen. **PLEASE WRITE** each item of your order on a separate line, and carry out the prices. Also, please **keep a copy of your order** with which to "check off" the seeds when received, to be sure that you have received all that you ordered. Use Order Sheet and Envelope when possible.

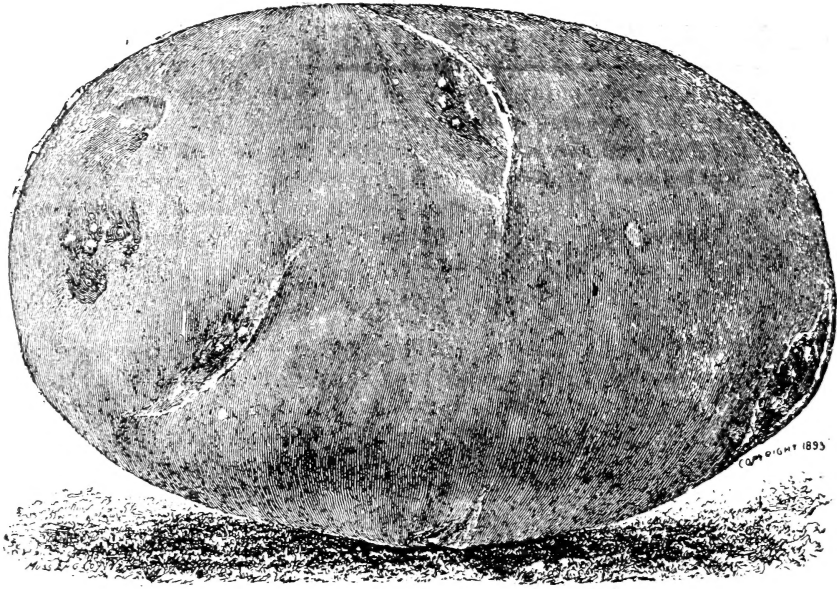
I GUARANTEE that all **SEEDS** sold by me are **FIRST-CLASS**, true and pure, and of **strong germinating power**, in so far that if they should prove otherwise I will refill the order free, or refund the price paid.

My SEED FARMS at DECATUR, BAY CITY, PETOSKEY, and TRAVERSE CITY aggregate over 3,000 Acres. CAPITAL Invested, \$100,000. I do an ANNUAL BUSINESS exceeding \$400,000 Wholesale and Retail.

Asking a careful reading of the following pages, with best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year, I remain,

Yours to command,

HARRY N. HAMMOND.



THE EARLY MICHIGAN POTATO. ENGRAVED FROM A PHOTOGRAPH.

HAMMOND'S EARLY MICHIGAN POTATO.

This is the third year I have offered the *Early Michigan*, the *peer* of all extra early potatoes. Although each year I have started with a large stock, have never been able to supply the demand. When I introduced this wonderful variety in 1896, I prophesied it would become the most *popular* extra early potato introduced in recent years. Judging from the hundreds of flattering testimonials I have received from pleased customers everywhere, I think the *Early Michigan* has fully sustained all the claims I have made for it. I could fill one-half of this catalogue with testimonials, but for lack of space have been compelled to leave them out this year.

EXTRA IN TABLE QUALITY AND 'WAY AHEAD IN PRODUCTIVENESS.

This new seedling is, without exception, the coming extra early potato. It is about one week earlier than Early Ohio, of far better quality, and planted beside that variety, will outyield it three to one. The *Early Michigan*, without exception, is the *Handsomest Potato* I have ever grown. When dug, they are *snowy white*, making them the market gardeners' *most valuable* extra early market variety. Although the *Early Michigan* excels in handsomeness and great yields, yet it has no superior for *quality*. In point of exquisite *flavor*, fine grain and other *table qualities*, it does not suffer by comparison even with that old standard for quality, the original Snowflake. Indeed, I think the *Early Michigan* excels the Snowflake in point of *delicate flavor*, and in point of yield the Snowflake is simply distanced. The flesh is snow white, and whether boiled or baked, has the same fine table qualities, always cooking dry and floury.

YIELDS 300 BUSHELS PER ACRE WITH ORDINARY CULTURE.

As shown in the illustration from photograph, the tubers are oblong in shape, smooth and handsome. In quality for the table, either baked or boiled, it is "*simply perfection*." The vine is a healthy, vigorous grower, sets its tubers compactly in the hill, and, from the fact that it does not set too many tubers, it is well adapted to growing in drills, and will mature *an immense crop* with very few small-sized Potatoes. The tubers all grow to a good marketable size, and yet are never coarse or prongy.

The Early Michigan at the Michigan Agricultural College last year *outyielded eighty-four* other varieties tested, among them all the best new early and late varieties. It is a hummer to yield. Beware of spurious stock. Owing to the great popularity of the *Early Michigan*, many will try to palm off common kinds on you this spring for *Early Michigan*. I have made a big reduction in prices for 1898, and am determined to introduce them everywhere. If you would be *sure* of simon pure stock, I would advise you to order direct from headquarters; and by headquarters I mean Harry N. Hammond.

Prices for 1898: By mail, postpaid, one pound, 25 cts.; three pounds, 50 cts. By express or freight, not prepaid, one pound, 15 cts.; half peck, 35 cts.; peck, 60 cts.; half bushel, \$1.00; one bushel, \$1.75; barrel of 165 lbs. net, \$4.50; three bbls., \$12.00.

PROTECTION AND PROSPERITY ARE HERE.

We have both in the *Greatest, Grandest, Earliest and Most Productive* potato ever introduced, the *Early Michigan*. Dear friends, in the *Early Michigan* potato I again offer you this year the foremost leader of the American Potato Kingdom. Some of my customers who planted the *Early Michigan* said it should have been named *Protection*, as never before had they grown a potato so early, and as the *Early Michigan* could be marketed at \$1.25 to \$1.50 per bushel three to four weeks before any other potato they were *protected* from all competition from their neighbors that grew old common sorts they could not dig until several weeks later when markets were lower.

Is there not *great prosperity* in the above fact when combined with a yield of 400 to 700 bushels per acre. Think of it, Early Potatoes in our leading markets last July sold for \$1.25 to \$1.75 per bushel. Now what would have paid you better than *Early Michigan* potatoes at even 75 cents per bushel when they were yielding 300 to 400 bushels per acre even before fully ripe. You could well afford to pay \$9.00 per barrel for the seed, the price the *Early Michigan* sold for last spring. There is no crop more profitable than *Extra Early Potatoes*. By extra early I mean a variety you can dig *two to three weeks* before your neighbors dig theirs. If you plant the *Early Michigan* this year I will guarantee you can do it. And again, remember my *Michigan New Muck Land* stock produces marketable potatoes at least two weeks before highland seed. This fact combined with the *excellent quality* of the *Early Michigan* potato ought to induce you to give it a trial this spring. As I have cut the price in two and am selling them at cost this year there is no reason why you should not plant *heavily* of this variety and make a few hundred dollars on them for early market, as well as supply your neighbors with seed which will be in great demand when once grown in your locality. So much has been said about the *Early Michigan* potato that perhaps some of its friends would like to have a speech from the potato itself. Following, the Potato gives a brief sketch of its history:

MY DEAR FRIENDS, THE MARKET GARDENER AND FARMER:

I was born in Bay County, Michigan, the season of 1894. My originator, Mr. Montgomery, was a most careful potato grower. The care he gave me from the seed ball will never be forgotten. I was nursed with the tenderest care until 1894 when I developed into a full fledged potato. I was called a beautiful white baby and was the idol of the entire household. Remember I was only one potato then. Mr. Montgomery selected me from one hundred hills, discarding all the rest as unworthy of continued cultivation. I was stored away during the winter of 1894 and '95, carefully wrapped in cotton to prevent me from catching the slightest cold, and as I was kept at an even temperature I never awoke during the winter and my slumbers were not disturbed until the warm days of April made their appearance. The spring of 1895 opened warm and balmy. April 5th I was taken from my bed. I weighed just 17½ ounces then, and from the admiration heaped upon me I thought myself I must be a beautiful fellow. I had just 12 eyes. I was cut to one eye pieces and each eye split in two, making 24 pieces. Mr. Montgomery never believed in the sprouting system in propagating new potatoes as it weakens the posterity and they seldom ever recover.

A rich piece of new land was carefully prepared for me and I was planted in hills three feet apart each way. The season was very favorable for my growth and as I was given the best of care I intended to make as large a yield as possible. My ambitions were high. I always looked forward to a prosperous and happy future. On October 2nd Mr. Montgomery, his wife and entire family, besides several neighbors, and Harry N. Hammond, the Decatur seedsman, who was visiting Mr. Montgomery at the time, repaired to the little field where I had been growing now a long time ripe. With potato hooks the digging began. Remember, there were only 24 hills and it was only fun to dig me. I shall never forget the words of praise that were bestowed upon me. They said they had never seen as handsome and even a lot of potatoes before, and such a yield; the average was 15½ pounds per hill. Think of it. I was turning out over one peck of handsome white potatoes per hill, and nearly every potato weighed just about an even pound. There was one in the lot that tipped the scales at 4¼ pounds. The total weight from the 24 hills was 372 pounds, and not one potato in the entire lot weighed less than 10 ounces.

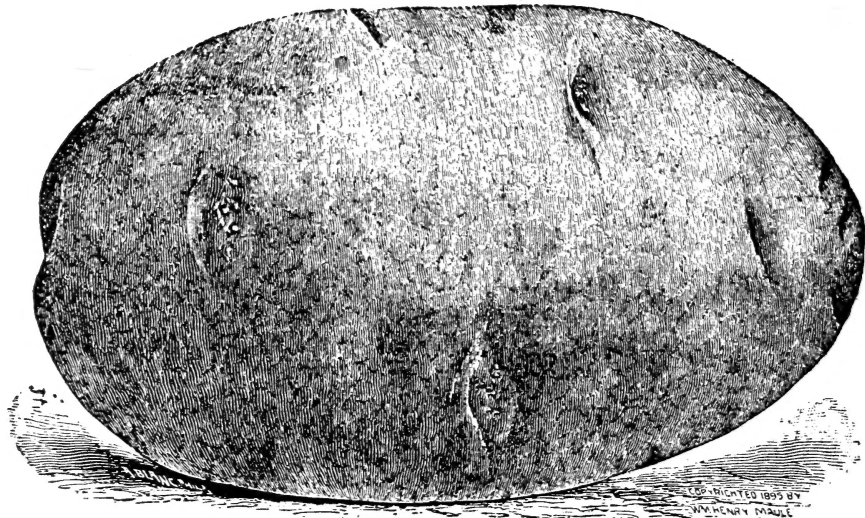
Mr. Hammond was very enthusiastic in my praise. He and Mr. Montgomery figured on a basis of one acre and found I had yielded at the rate of 2,244 bushels per acre. Mr. Hammond thereupon contracted the entire stock. He said I was the finest Extra Early potato he had ever had the pleasure of looking upon. I think he paid Mr. Montgomery \$300 for the 372 pounds and exclusive control of me. I was immediately shipped to Mr. Hammond at Decatur, where I was carefully stored during the winter in his specially constructed seed potato cellars. The next spring (1895) Mr. Hammond planted me on one acre of choice New Muck Land. As the season of 1895 was the most favorable in ten years for the growth of potatoes, I yielded that season 684 bushels from the one acre planted with the 372 pounds.

Mr. Hammond, as previously stated, introduced me in 1896, but alas, the market price of potatoes was low that spring, and although Mr. Hammond sent me to thousands of his customers yet I would like to have reached many thousand more potato growers and prove my value. Owing to the Wilson bill and stringent times the season of 1897 was not as good as it should have been. Nevertheless I was sent to over 15,000 potato growers last spring.

Again another year has come. I am still as fat, robust, vigorous, healthy, early and productive as ever. Mr. McKinley has been elected. Prosperity is here. Potato prices are good, and I expect to visit nearly every town in America this year. Mr. Hammond has reduced my price from \$9.00 to \$4.50 a barrel, and as he gives 50 cents worth of extra seeds in packets for every dollar invested in me, I see no reason why every Market Gardener and Farmer should not grow me to the exclusion of all other potatoes. I claim to be the King of Extra Early Potatoes. Hoping that every reader will order liberally of me and that I may visit you this spring and grow you a bounteous crop, I remain yours very truly,

THE EARLY MICHIGAN POTATO.

SEEDS AT COST. Remember, dear friends, I am selling everything in this catalogue at actual cost of growing and advertising the highest quality of **Seeds**. This is my **Banner Year**. I am determined to gain 100,000 new customers, and am offering the **Best Seeds that Grow at Cost**. I will not make a dollar this year. I am giving the profits to gain new customers for Hammond's **Seeds**.



MAULE'S EARLY THOROUGHbred.

This new *extra early potato*, introduced by Wm. Henry Maule, is, without exception, in my estimation, the *finest potato* of its class ever introduced, even surpassing its parent, the Early Rose, when first introduced. This potato is bound to have as large a run as any sort ever introduced, it having more desirable qualities than any other potato I know of, excepting *Early Michigan*. *Early Thoroughbred* is a seedling of the Early Rose, though it outyields that old sort *three to one*, and is *ten days earlier*. Besides being so early, it is of *handsome appearance*, *superb quality*, an enormous *yielder*, and in fact, all who have tried it consider it a perfect potato. Last year I grew *764* bushels of *marketable Thoroughbred* potatoes on *one acre of new muck land*, from one barrel of seed planted. This was the *largest yield* I ever obtained from planting *one barrel* of potatoes. The *Thoroughbred* grows very smooth and handsome, is of a light pink color and in *quality the best*.

A leading grower of Tioga County, New York, writes as follows: "I wish every Potato grower could give **The THOROUGHbred a trial**. We would have fewer varieties and less poor stock grown. There are too many new kinds introduced; take, for instance, the *Freeman*, *Carman No. 1*, etc., all sent out at fancy prices as extraordinary in quality and yield. **The THOROUGHbred** outyielded the No. 3 and doubled the yield of No. 1, and in quality discounts them both, besides being early. The *Freeman* is not worth mentioning—too many small Potatoes—and it is so with many others. I hope **The THOROUGHbred** will be as largely planted as it deserves."

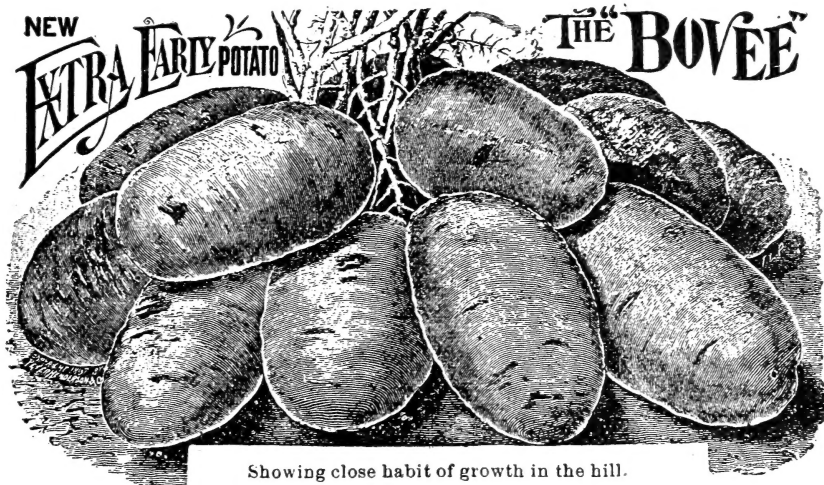
One of my best customers writes as follows: "**The Early THOROUGHbred is a great Potato**. Beyond question it combines more good qualities than any one variety introduced since the days of the *Early Rose*. In a field test of several acres, the past season it *outyielded any other variety, either early or late*. For the amateur who desires a fine Potato for the table, that is productive as well; for the trucker who wants a handsome Potato for market and one that will abundantly repay him for high cultivation; or for the farmer who wants the best Potato for main-crop that he can harvest in time to sow wheat, or in time to take advantage of the early Fall market—**The Early THOROUGHbred is THE POTATO.**"

I have received to date something over *400 testimonials* from pleased customers that purchased *Maule's Thoroughbred* of me last year. I grew the past season *22 acres of Thoroughbred* and hope to have sufficient stock to supply all my customers. But as I have reduced the *price* on this potato to cost of *growing and advertising*, the same as everything else in this year's catalogue, it would be advisable to order early as thousands will take advantage of my special low prices. I cannot fill orders at these low prices after my supply is exhausted. I had intended giving three pages to *Thoroughbred* this year. I could fill one-half of this catalogue with testimonials, but by reducing the space to one page I am able to make my friends very low prices. As I am selling this variety at actual cost, I hope my customers will appreciate the fact and give this wonderful potato a trial this season.

Prices: By mail, postpaid, pound, 20 cts.; 3 lbs., 40 cts.; 10 lbs., \$1.25. By express or freight, peck, 40 cts.; bushel, \$1.25; barrel, \$3.00; 3 bbls., \$8.00.

I have secured *special low express and freight rates* for my customers.

SEEDS AT COST. Remember, dear friends, I am selling everything in this catalogue at actual cost of growing and advertising the highest quality of seeds. This is my **Banner Year**. I am determined to gain 100,000 new customers, and I am offering the **Best Seeds that Grow**, at cost. I will not make a dollar this year. I am giving the profits to gain new customers for **Hammond's Seeds**.



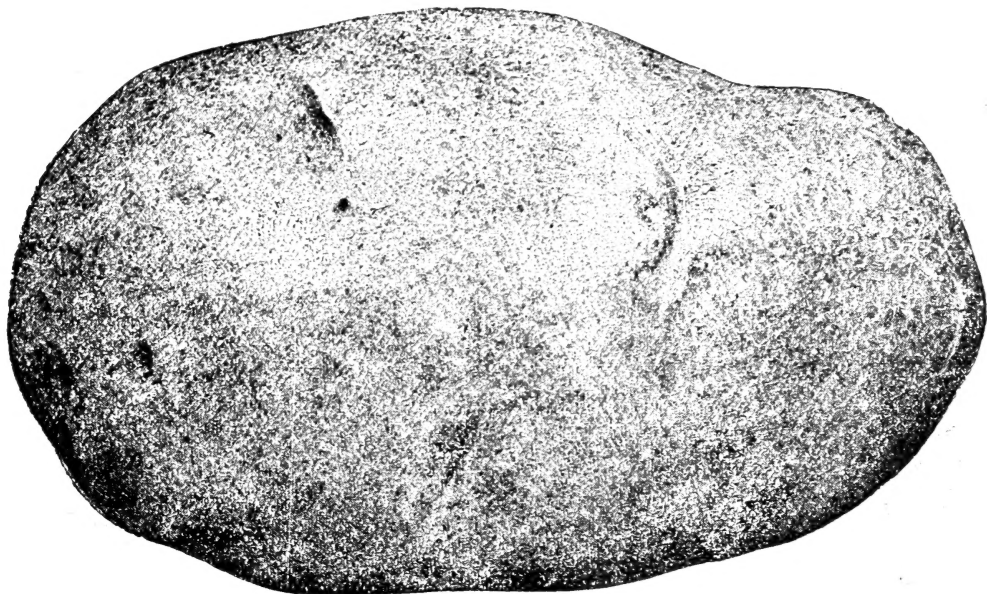
Showing close habit of growth in the hill.

THE BOVEE

was introduced by Peter Henderson's Sons last year. The **Bovee** is a **Michigan** Potato, a seedling raised by my friend Marvin Bovee, one of the largest Potato growers in **Michigan**. I think this variety will become very popular. It is certainly a most desirable novelty, and every one should give it a trial, if only in a small way. Henderson describes it as follows:

The **Bovee** has had a considerable distribution in small quantities, and the reports received proclaim it to be a wonderful introduction among early potatoes. Not only is it the earliest, but it takes a leading place among the cropping varieties, an unusual thing among first earlies. It is even earlier than Early Ohio, and compares favorably with Triumph, a light cropping variety that has only extreme earliness to recommend it, while the **Bovee** in all competitive trials has outyielded all the early potatoes, and in many of the tests conducted by Experiment Stations and private growers, it has outyielded even the late varieties, including such heavy-cropping kinds as Carman No. 1, Empire State, Rural New-Yorker No. 2, Irish Daisy, Brownell's Winner, Maggie Murphy, Great Divide and others.

Prices: per lb. 25 cts.; 3 lbs. for 60 cts., postpaid. By express or freight, half peck, 30 cts.; peck, 50 cts.; half bushel, 90 cts.; bushel, \$1.50; barrel, \$3.75.



Very Productive. New, 1897. An exact photograph of an average Vigorosa.

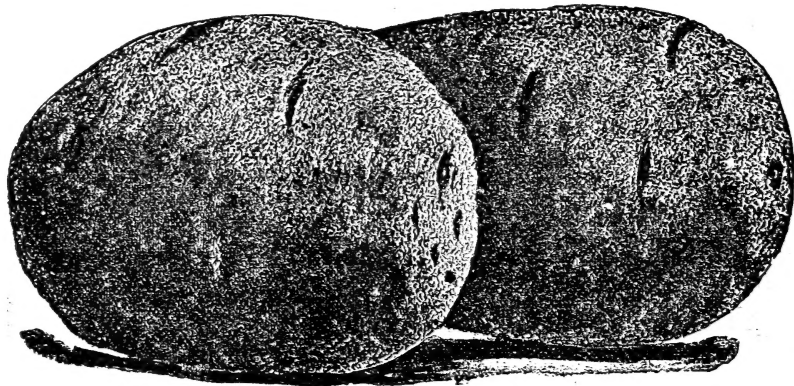
OLDS' VIGOROSA,

introduced by L. L. Olds, of Wisconsin, last year, who also introduced the World's Fair. I purchased three barrels of **Vigorosa** from Mr. Olds last spring.

From one year's trial I am satisfied it is a valuable acquisition to our list of extra early potatoes. From the three barrels planted on two acres I grew 824 bushels as fine potatoes as ever grew. Mr. Olds says of **Vigorosa**:

We believe it will prove to be the great money-making early potato of the future. It is easy enough to find good early potatoes. It is easy enough to find potatoes that are great producers. But it is not so easy to find early potatoes that are great producers. This is why **Vigorosa** is of such great value. It is early, and is a tremendous yielder. While it is by no means lacking in other good qualities, its striking characteristic is its strong, vigorous growth. Hence its name, **Vigorosa**. It is a very handsome potato, skin, a beautiful flesh color, with considerable of a netting, form smooth and regular, and quality perfect. I am also offering this variety at cost while supply lasts.

Prices: same as Bovee. Three barrels, \$10.00

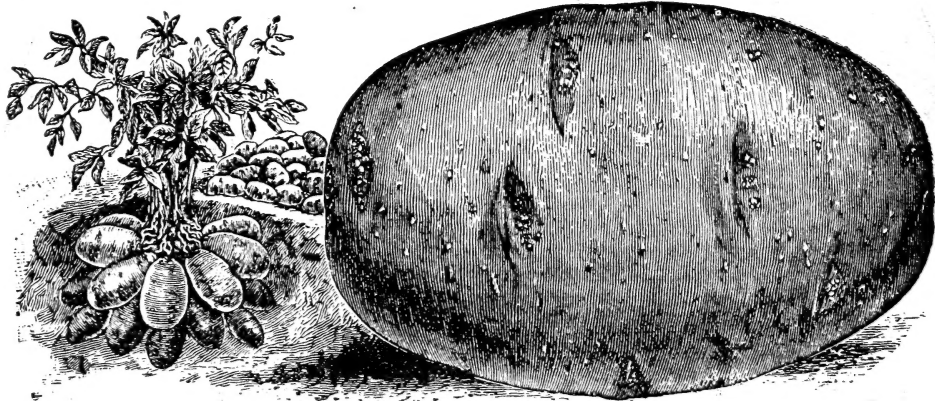


ACME.

THE BEST KNOWN SUCCESSOR TO THE EARLY OHIO.

Claimed by the introducer to be the *earliest* and *most productive* potato in cultivation. The introducer says: "We made a strong claim for this remarkable potato, based upon experiments with all other first earlies, but the astonishing results of our planting, made in the droughty season of 1894, so strikingly confirmed our faith in this variety that we are now more convinced of its general *market* value. The objection heretofore to extra early kinds for *profitable* field culture, has been their *shy* yielding qualities. Even the good old Early Ohio can no longer compare with the later kinds. The *Acme* is fully a week in advance of any other kind in earliness. It can always be marketed at least *ten days* before the top dies, as the new potatoes commence to grow before the tops are six inches high, and produces as *largely* as late strong growing kinds. Another great merit for the *Acme* lies in its great *keeping* properties, remaining solidly fresh until the new crop is dug, and will often remain in the cellar without sprouting until June 1. Hills of new potatoes, of fit size for table use, can be dug in *five weeks* from time of planting.

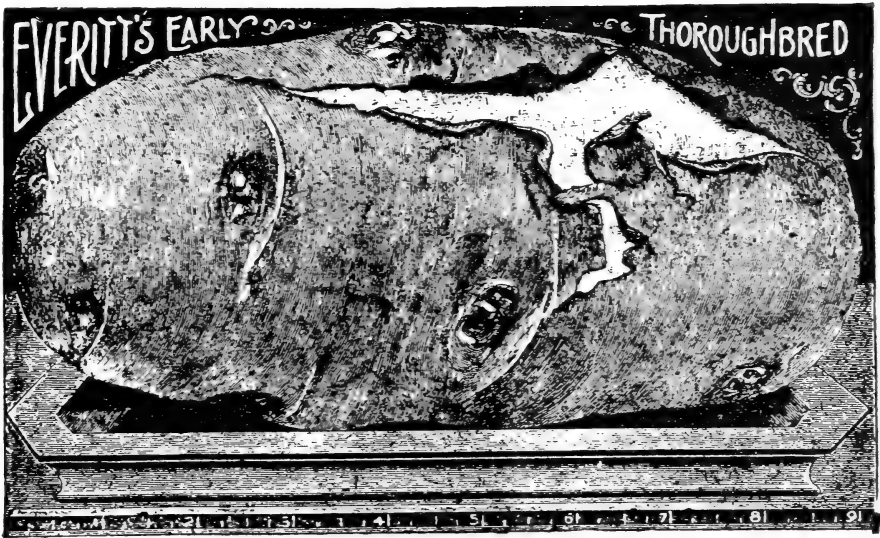
Prices: By mail, postpaid, one lb., 20 cts.; 3 lbs., 40 cts. By express or freight, one lb., 10 cts.; peck, 40 cts.; bushel, \$1.25; barrel, \$3.25; three barrels, \$9.00. Order early.



KING OF THE EARLIEST.

This *excellent* new potato, introduced by the largest Seed Company in the northwest, is indeed a *marvelous* potato. I secured a quantity of the seed, and am pleased to offer it to my customers as one of the *best extra early* potatoes now offered. The *King of the Earliest*, on my *new muck* land, is *extra early*, and an *enormous* yielder. It is a seedling of Early Ohio, of *better quality*, far more *productive* and a few days *earlier*. It resembles Early Ohio somewhat, but is lighter in color. I have a fine stock of this extra early potato, which I offer at following low prices, while my supply lasts.

Prices: By mail, postpaid, one lb., 20 cts.; three lbs., 40 cts. By express or freight, one lb., 10 cts.; peck, 40 cts.; bu., \$1.25; barrel, \$3.25; three barrels, \$9.00.



EVERITT'S EARLY THOROUGHbred.

This new early potato was introduced by Everitt, and claimed by him to be the same as Maule's Thoroughbred. I procured a quantity of the seed from Mr. Everitt, and after careful trial, I pronounce it a very valuable early potato of the Rose class, although it is not identical with Maule's Thoroughbred, as claimed by Mr. Everitt. In order to prove this, I planted this variety near Maule's Thoroughbred; although they made a wonderful growth and produced a large crop, yet on my soil it proved about one week later than Maule's and did not yield as well. Everitt's Thoroughbred is a sure cropper, immensely productive and will undoubtedly become a standard early Potato.

Prices: Pound, by mail, postpaid, 20 cts.; 3 lbs., 40 cts. By express or freight, peck, 40 cts.; bushel, \$1.10; barrel of 165 lbs., \$2.80; 3 bbls., \$7.50.

HYBRIDIZED POTATO SEED. We offer a very fine strain of Potato Seed, the product of numerous hybridizations between many of the best new and old varieties in cultivation. We frequently purchase promising seedlings grown from seed purchased from us.

Price (postpaid) 15c. per packet; 5 packets for 60c. Full directions for planting, cultivation, etc., on each packet.

Every Farmer Boy ought to "try his hand" with one or more packets of potato seed and his father ought to get him the seed, give him the ground, and time to attend same properly. The result is interesting, and often very profitable.

HUMPHREY'S CONCAVE POTATO KNIFE.



HAMMOND'S New Muck Land Seed Potatoes are always the BEST.

I have used this knife for cutting seed potatoes for several years, and pronounce it the best. By mail, postpaid, 25 cents each. When sent with potatoes, 20 cents each.

POTATO EYES. By mail, postpaid. A money-saving plan for customers. This will enable farmers and others living at a great distance from Decatur to test some of our best varieties at trifling cost. We guarantee the safe arrival of each package in good growing condition, postpaid to any address in the United States, but should they not arrive in good shape we must be notified promptly. A collection of 160 Eyes, under favorable circumstances, should produce at least ten to fifteen bushels of fine potatoes, which is certainly good return for a dollar outlay.

We have a record on file in which the grower claims to have grown 9 bushels from 40 eyes planted in 40 hills.

EARLY POTATO EYE COLLECTION.

40	Eyes of Early Michigan. Eyes of Maule's Thoroughbred. Eyes of Vigorosa. Eyes of Bovee.	160 EYES all for \$1.00
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MAIN CROP POTATO EYE COLLECTION.

40	Eyes of Uncle Sam. Eyes of Sir Walter Raleigh. Eyes of Peachblow. Eyes of Country Gentleman.	160 EYES all for \$1.00
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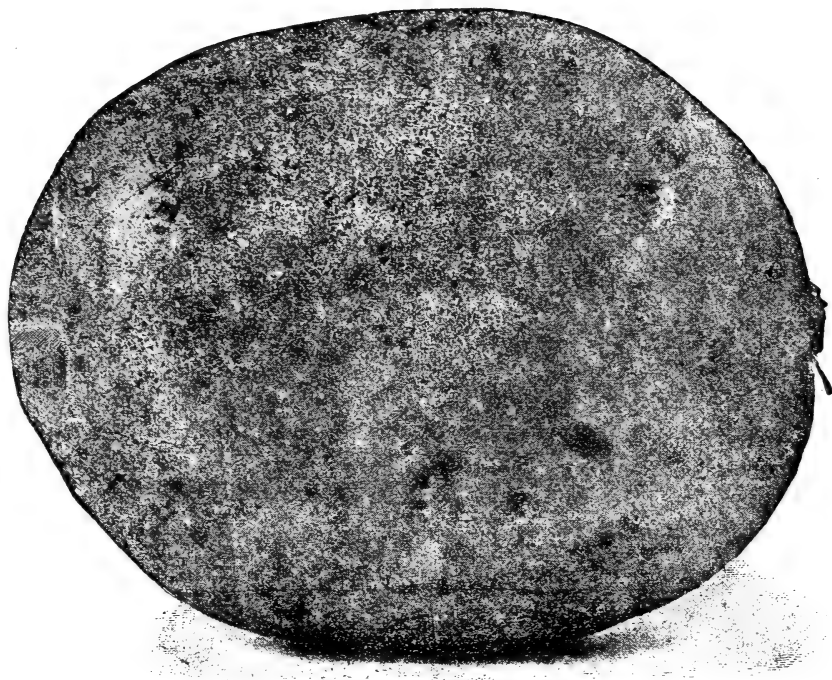
Two Full Collections, one of each, if desired, will be sent for \$1.75, postpaid.

If customers so desire, I will substitute other varieties if you wish any change in above collections.

For lack of space in this catalogue I cannot publish the thousands of testimonials I have in favor of Hammond's Seeds. I have a printed list of testimonials which I will send to any address on request.

DO NOT FORGET

That for every Dollar you send me for Seed Potatoes, Farm, Garden and Flower Seeds at catalogue prices you are entitled to select, Free, extra Vegetable and Flower Seeds in packets to the amount of 50 cents. Is not this the most liberal offer ever made by any reliable Seedsman? Think of it! 50 cents worth of extra Seeds absolutely free with each dollar you send me for anything quoted in this catalogue. See Free Seed Distribution for full particulars, Cover of Catalogue. I am giving away \$15,000 worth of Vegetable and Flower Seeds this year to introduce Hammond's Seeds everywhere. Because, Michigan Northern Grown Seeds are the Best that Grow, and I will prove it if you will send me your trial order.



SIR WALTER RALEIGH. (Mr. Carman's Best.)

The only seedling of the well-known Rural New-Yorker No. 2 that is better than its parent.

This *wonderful* new late potato is destined to *supersede* all of Mr. Carman's introductions. Heretofore I have considered the Carman No. 3 Mr. Carman's best. But the *Sir Walter Raleigh* the past season on my grounds made the most *remarkable* showing of any potato I have tested in recent years. This new seedling planted on my *New Muck Land* is without exception the peer of all *Late Potatoes*.

It is certainly

A GRAND NEW MAIN CROP POTATO

Introduced last year by Peter Henderson's Sons. They say of it:

Though offered this year for the first time, we have grown it for three years, and are convinced that it is the best of Mr. Carman's introductions, and Mr. Carman has raised some of the best and most popular varieties, notably the great pairs, Rural Blush and Rural New-Yorker No. 2, and the Carman No. 1 and No. 3. In most respects it closely resembles Rural New-Yorker No. 2, but is more uniform and yields practically no small tubers, every one being marketable. It is from **four to six days** later than the Rural New-Yorker; the color of the skin is the same, but the flesh is whiter and of better quality; in fact, it is the **whitest-fleshed and finest-grained Potato**, excelling even the Snowflake. It is unquestionably the best of its type, and will soon **supersede** all others of this class.

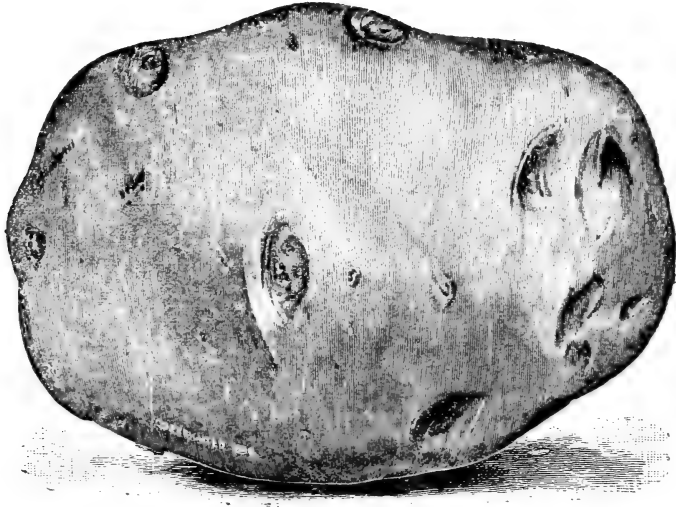
At the Rural Grounds it proved the best and heaviest cropper of forty-nine varieties, and on our own trial farm and on the farms of three potato experts in New Jersey, New York and Connecticut, it proved the most remarkable of many varieties grown.

We have named it "**Sir Walter Raleigh**," because of the great exhibition of Potatoes being held in Ireland this year, the tricentennial year of the introduction of the so-called **Irish Potato** into Great Britain by **Sir Walter Raleigh**, who, it is claimed, got the tubers in Virginia. Combining as it does three centuries of improvement, and representing the highest type of Potato known to-day, we believe it to be a fitting tribute to the original introducer of the Potato into commerce, to have his name attached to the best production of Mr. Carman, who has in **recent years** done so much for the improvement of the Potato.

Determined to gain 100,000 new customers for *Hammond's Seed Potatoes, Farm, Garden and Flower Seeds*, and wishing to introduce my superior *Michigan Northern Grown Seeds* everywhere, I offer my entire stock of seeds this year at *actual cost* of growing and advertising.

While my limited supply of *Sir Walter Raleigh* potatoes last, I offer them at the following rock bottom prices, which barely pays cost of growing them and for this catalogue page. I am giving my customers the profits this year.

Prices of Sir Walter Raleigh: By mail, postpaid, one pound, 25 cts.; three pounds, 60 cts. By express or freight, peck, 50 cts.; bushel, \$1.50; barrel of 165 lbs. net, \$4.00. Three barrels, \$10.00.



THORBURN NEW WHITE PEACHBLOW POTATO.

This is a seedling of the old "Excelsior," which has always been considered the standard for quality as well as the latest keeper known. In table quality this new seedling is fully equal to its parent, which is the very highest recommendation that could be given it. The flesh, as well as the skin, is of extreme whiteness. It is very dry when cooked, and does not fall in pieces, as most dry varieties do. It is the freest from *scab* of any variety we have any knowledge of. It has been, so far, *entirely* free from *rot*. There has never yet been a hollow-hearted one found among them. The vines make a very heavy, luxuriant growth. The flower is large and purple. In growth, quality and general appearance this variety resembles the old and once popular "White Peachblow," but it will yield very much more, and is *earlier* in ripening.

Prices: One pound, by mail, 25 cts.; three pounds, 60 cts.; half peck, 60 cts.; peck, \$1.00; bushel, \$3.00; barrel, \$7.00.

LIVINGSTON'S PINK EYE.

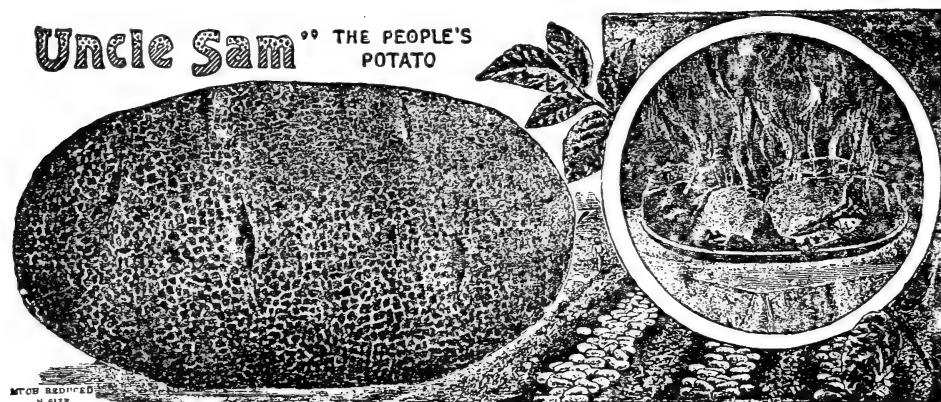
Introduced by LIVINGSTON SONS. They say:

This New Extra Early Potato now offered for the first time, promises to outclass the Early Ohio in *earliness*. It originated with one of our *Michigan* growers who has grown potatoes for us exclusively for over ten years past, and is considered a most valuable sort by him, as will be seen by what he writes. Although a good *strong grower*, yet the vines die down very quickly when *matured*. It has a beautiful *pink eye*, and the skin is white and *very handsome*. Eyes are shallow. We have for many years claimed our Extra Early Ohio could not be surpassed for earliness; but if this new sort maintains its present record, it will take first place. We invite growers to test it by the side of their favorite extra early sorts.

Prices: One pound, 20 cts.; three pounds, 40 cts., postpaid; peck, 50 cts.; bushel, \$1.75; barrel, \$5.00

To New Customers: Tell your friends if they wish the **Best Northern Grown** Seeds at actual cost to send their orders to **HARRY N. HAMMOND.**

Seeds of Equal High Quality can nowhere be obtained for less money.



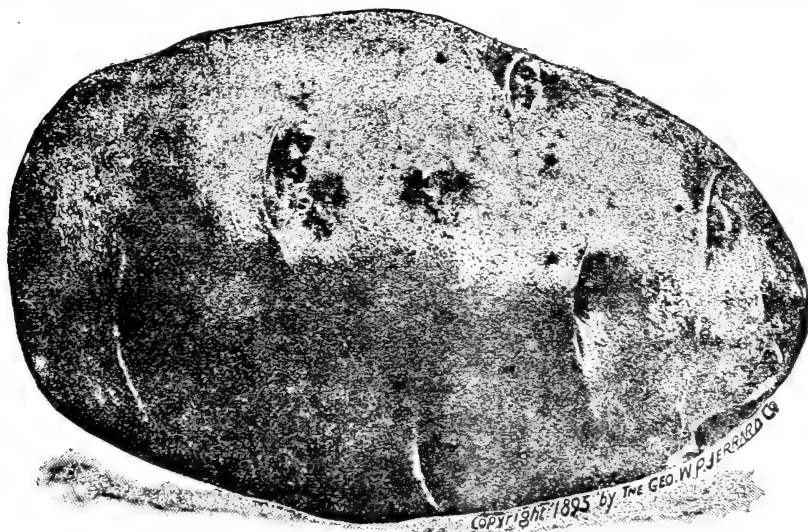
UNCLE SAM.

THE PEOPLE'S POTATO.

This excellent new medium late potato, introduced by a New York firm, is a decided *acquisition* to the potato family. I think *Uncle Sam* is destined to become the most popular late market potato *America* has yet produced. I must admit *Uncle Sam* even surpassed Carman No. 3 in wonderful growth, in yield, and last but not least, in quality. Here, let me state, is the most desirable feature in this truly *wonderful potato*. Its cooking qualities are superior to any late potato I have tested since the old Peachblow, many years ago. The flesh is *snow white*, and whether boiled or baked, it has the same fine table qualities, always cooking dry and floury. Its *cropping qualities* are phenomenal. I believe it will prove the heaviest cropper grown, not even excepting several varieties, worthless in every other respect than their heavy cropping qualities, varieties which produce coarse, waxy and unpalatable tubers. In the season of 1895, a well-known potato grower and expert, in New York State, grew on his farm under the same soil, conditions and cultivation, *Uncle Sam*, Rural New-Yorker No. 2, Great Divide and Irish Daisy, and on digging and weighing the crops, was astonished to find that *Uncle Sam* had outyielded all between 90 and 100 per cent., or nearly *double* the crop per acre of these well-known varieties. The introducers say: "Aside from its productiveness, which is largely attributable to the uniform size of potatoes, nearly all sizing up alike, none too large, and few too small, its crowning merit is its superb *cooking qualities*, which will ultimately place *Uncle Sam* on every table where quality in potatoes is appreciated. Regarding the excellence of its cooking qualities, we speak from our own personal experience, for never did we have so *fine* a flavored potato on our table, and its handsome, pure white, floury appearance would attract the attention of all; in fact, so pretty a picture did they make, that we had them photographed on the spot."

It is a medium late variety, ripening along with Rural New-Yorker No. 2, and has most *luxuriant foliage*, completely shading the ground. The tubers are oval, with pure white *russet skin*, very *shallow eyes* near the surface, and are so handsome in appearance and perfect in form, that they will always bring an enhanced price upon the market; but so great will be the demand, that for years to come they will bring a *premium* for seed purposes. Every person should plant *Uncle Sam* this season, as it is sure to become a leader.

Prices: By mail, postpaid, one pound, 20 cts.; three pounds, 40 cts. By express or freight, peck, 40 cts; bushel, \$1.30; barrel, \$3.50. Three barrels, \$10.00.

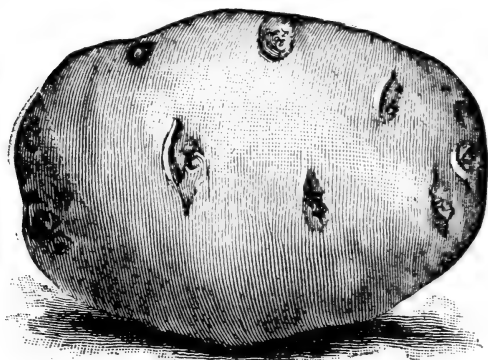


THE COUNTRY GENTLEMAN.

This wonderful new potato was originated and introduced by a Maine seed company, at \$10 per bushel. From their description, I was satisfied it would prove a valuable variety, and so ordered a quantity of seed. It resembles the New Queen and Beauty of Hebron, only that the coloring is more marked than in either of these varieties. The *blush and white markings* cover the skin of this potato in a peculiar *mottled manner*, making it one of the most strikingly *handsome varieties*. It is a medium late kind, about half way between the New Queen and White Elephant in time of maturing; the eyes are shallow, with numerous sprouts to the eye, and is a very large yielder. *Country Gentleman* is certainly a *Bonanza Potato*.

The introducers say: "We have had the *Country Gentleman* under our personal supervision for the past five years, and during this time it has not shown the *least inclination* to rot or disease of *any kind*, and seems less affected by drought than the average. We unhesitatingly recommend this superb new potato as the very best of all the main crop or medium late sorts."

Prices: By mail, postpaid, pound, 20 cts.; three pounds, 45 cts. By express or freight, pound, 12 cts.; peck, 35 cts.; bushel, \$1.25; barrel of 165 lbs., \$3.00; three barrels, \$8.00.



CARMAN No. 3. Reduced in size. This excellent late potato has been extensively advertised, and is a most valuable variety and should be grown on every farm. It is a sure cropper. Yields enormously. My stock is excellent. By mail, postpaid, lb., 20 cts.; three lbs., 40 cts. Not prepaid, lb., 10 cts. Peck, 30 cts.; bushel, \$1.00; barrel, \$2.75; three barrels, \$7.50.

PEERLESS, Jr. Another excellent medium early variety from New York State. Prices same as Carman No. 3.

LIVINGSTON'S BANNER. A favorite late variety. Heavy yielder. Well recommended. Prices same as Carman No. 3.

RURAL NEW-YORKER No. 2. Too well known to need description, still an excellent yielding late variety now grown extensively for market. Prices same as Carman No. 3.

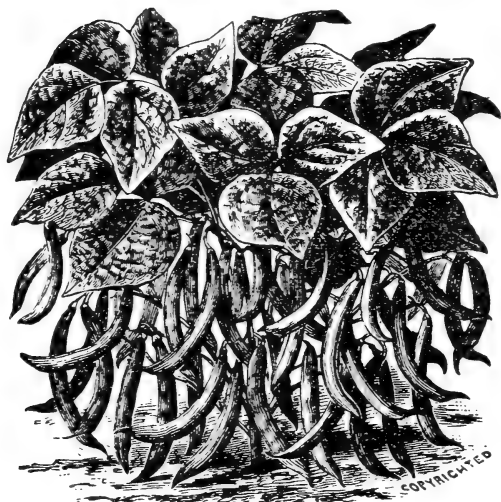
HAMMOND'S WONDERFUL NEW POTATO. Have a new seedling potato that promises to excel any medium late potato in yield and high quality that has come to my notice in many years. I will introduce it and name the potato next year. My price will be **\$1.00 a pound** next year. I have only sixteen bushels. Wish them tested in every State next summer and will send one tuber only to each person. Good sized potato, 25 cts. One free with \$10.00 order, if you mention it when ordering.

PURE EARLY OHIO. This excellent early potato is still as popular as ever. Although not as good as Acme and King of Earliest, yet I sell large quantities annually. Prices same as Country Gentleman.

PRIDE OF THE SOUTH. Originated in Maine. Very early and desirable first early. Pound, 20 cts. postpaid; peck, 60 cts.; bushel, \$1.75.

BURR'S No. 1, Honeoye Rose, True Early Rose, Early Fortune, Early Six Weeks. Choice stocks of above five varieties at same prices as Carman No. 3, while my supply lasts. Subject to market changes when my supply is exhausted. Order early.

HAMMOND'S CHOICE GARDEN BEANS.



IMPROVED ROUND-POD RED VALENTINE BEAN.

BEANS—Dwarf or Bush. Of the many varieties of Beans the following list comprises the very best, of all of which our stock is extra choice, the crops each year being carefully "rogued" and the seed stocks improved by continued intelligent selection.

EXTRA EARLY REFUGEE. It is similar in every respect to the ordinary Refugee, but is nearly two weeks earlier. It is enormously prolific, and from its earliness is almost certain to produce a crop, no matter how unfavorable the season. In quality it is unexcelled, being exceptionally free from string, and meltingly tender at all stages of its growth. Per pkt., 5 cts.; pint, 15 cts.; quart, 28 cts., postpaid. Peck, 55 cts.; bushel, \$2.00.

Early Yellow Six Weeks. Extra early, of fair quality; pods straight. Per pkt., 5 cts.; pint, 15 cts.; quart, 28 cts., postpaid. Peck, 55 cts.; bushel, \$2.00.

EXTRA EARLY RED VALENTINE (Best Improved Round-Pod Strain. One of the very best snap-shorts; round, fleshy pods, which mature quickly and are of first-rate quality. This is the most popular of all green-podded beans. We have always kept abreast of the improvements made in so important a variety, and have for some years past grown a strain that is unequalled in extra earliness, evenness and handsome round-podded appearance. In fact, so very choice is this strain of "Valentines," that one of our growers, in his enthusiasm, speaks of it as "Gilt-Edged" and "Double-Distilled." There certainly is none better, and it has not failed to satisfy all market gardeners. Per pkt., 5 cts.; pint, 15 cts.; quart, 28 cts., postpaid. Peck, 55 cts.; bushel, \$2.00.



HAMMOND'S BUTTER WAX BEAN.

HAMMOND'S BUTTER WAX BEAN. This new wax bean, combines hardiness and productiveness with fine quality. It is a vigorous bush variety, with entire freedom from rust. It puts forth short tendrils on which pods are formed, in addition to those near the central stalk of the plant, which accounts for its wonderful productiveness, amounting under favorable conditions, to 100 to 150 fold. The pods are meaty and well filled, of rich yellow color, superb quality, and entirely stringless, even when large enough to shell. If the pods are picked as fast as developed, the plant continues to furnish a bountiful supply for an unusually long season. Per pkt., 10 cts.; pint, 20 cts.; quart, 35 cts., postpaid. Peck, 75 cts.; bushel, \$2.50.

IMP. GOLDEN WAX. Popular with market gardeners on account of its hardy and prolific character. The pods are borne well off the ground; entirely free from blight and rust. The numerous pods, of a bright golden yellow, present a very handsome appearance on market; they are not, however, entirely stringless. Per pkt., 5 cts.; pint, 18 cts.; quart, 30 cts., postpaid. Peck, 60 cts.; bushel, \$2.25.

NEW PROLIFIC GERMAN WAX (Cylinder Pod Dwarf Black Wax.) For many years the old German Black Wax Dwarf Bean has been a great favorite, both with market gardeners and private planters, on account of the fine quality and early maturity of its tender, yellow wax pods. While it retains all the good qualities of its parent, the pods are straighter, longer and rounder, while it is more than twice as productive in yield. Per pkt., 5 cts.; pint, 18 cts.; quart, 30 cts., postpaid. Peck, 60 cts.; bushel, \$2.25.



One-half of a pod, showing size and fleshy thickness of this Monster Wax Bean.

YOSEMITE MAMMOTH WAX BUSH BEAN.

The **YOSEMITE**, or **MONSTER WAX**, is a very distinct Novelty, combining exquisite quality and productiveness with enormous size. The mammoth pods average eight to ten inches in length, are the thickness of a man's finger, full of fleshy pulp, as shown in the illustration, and of a rich, golden color, making a most handsome appearance either on the plant or on the table. We feel sure that the unusual size and handsome waxy appearance will make this giant among Beans a general favorite. Per package, 5 cts.; pint, 20 cts.; quart, 35 cts., postpaid. 1/2 peck, 50 cts.; peck, 80 cts.; bushel, \$3.00.

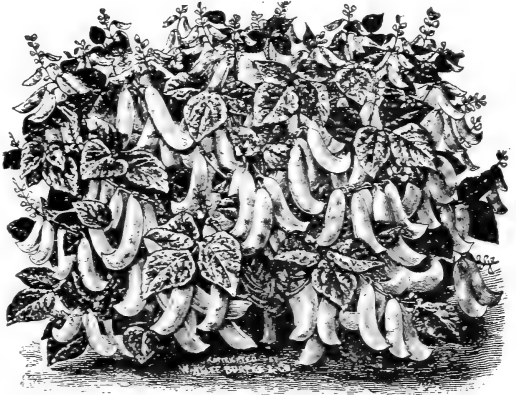
BUSH BEANS—Continued.

DAVIS WHITE WAX. A distinct new dwarf Wax Bean, popular in the family garden. It is the best *white-seeded* Wax Bean, of handsome appearance and very productive. "It is so productive that the vines are absolutely a mass of pods; it holds its pods well up from the ground. The pods are always full of large, plump beans; being pure white, with no eye, it is just what the bean canners have been looking for." By mail, postpaid, packet, 5 cts.; pint, 20 cts.; quart, 35 cts. Peck, 70 cts.; bushel, \$2.50.

WARDWELL'S KIDNEY WAX. This new Wax Bean is claimed to be the most productive of all. It is also very early and the pods are extra large and very handsome, both in color and form, tender and fine. By mail, postpaid, packet, 5 cts.; pint, 20 cts.; quart, 35 cts. Peck, 70 cts.; bushel, \$2.40.

I have secured special low express and freight rates for my customers.

KEENEY'S RUST-PROOF GOLDEN WAX. This improved strain is destined to supersede the well-known Golden Wax, which it has greatly outyielded in repeated comparative trials. The straight, handsome pods are thicker through, superior in quality, and are claimed by the originator to be absolutely rust proof. Per pkt., 5 cts.; pint, 18 cts.; quart, 30 cts., postpaid. Peck, 60 cts.; bushel, \$2.25.



BURPEE'S BUSH LIMA.—Showing habit of growth of a single plant

BURPEE'S BUSH LIMA. Identical in size and luscious flavor with the large Lima. See the dwarf, bushy plants in above picture. Saves all poles and labor. One of the most decided improvements in vegetable growths on record. Packet, 10 cts.; pint, 20 cts.; quart, 35 cts., postpaid; one-half peck, 70 cts.; peck, \$1.00; bushel, \$3.75.

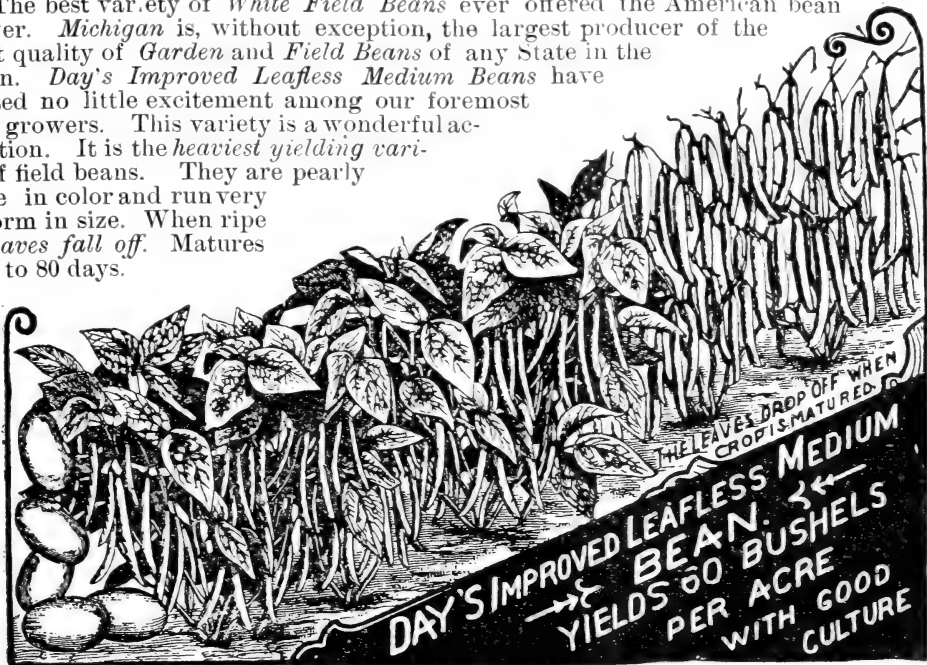
HENDERSON'S BUSH LIMA BEAN.

While the beans are small (being of the *Sieva* or *Sewee* type, known in the South as "*butter beans*"), yet they are ready for the table *earlier* than the Large Lima, and the little pods, growing in clusters, are plentiful. The compact, dwarf bushes are of hardy growth and very prolific, bearing continuously until the end of the season.

Prices same as for Burpee's Lima.

DAY'S IMPROVED LEAFLESS MEDIUM BEANS.

The best variety of *White Field Beans* ever offered the American bean grower. *Michigan* is, without exception, the largest producer of the finest quality of *Garden and Field Beans* of any State in the Union. *Day's Improved Leafless Medium Beans* have created no little excitement among our foremost bean growers. This variety is a wonderful acquisition. It is the *heaviest yielding variety* of field beans. They are pearly white in color and run very uniform in size. When ripe *the leaves fall off*. Matures in 70 to 80 days.



Prices: By mail, postpaid, quart 35 cts. Express or freight, one-half peck, 30 cts.; peck, 50 cts.; bushel, \$1.90 cts.; 3 bu., \$5.00. Bags free. By mail, pkt., 5 cts.



BEETS.

Please note that our prices are for seeds, post-paid, by mail. If ordered by express or freight, at purchaser's expense, 8 cts. per lb. may be deducted.

Prices of Stinson, Edmand's Turnip, Eclipse, Egyptian, Columbia and Bastian: Postpaid, packet, 5 cts.; 1 oz., 7 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 15 cts.; $\frac{1}{2}$ lb., 25 cts.; 1 lb., 40 cts., 5 lbs., \$1.50.

True Dark STINSON BEET. Excellent for the open garden; this is particularly valuable for forcing, because it produces less foliage than any other variety. They can be grown close together, four inches apart in the row being quite sufficient.

EDMAND'S EXTRA EARLY TURNIP BEET. We recommend Edmand's Extra Early most highly for extra earliness, fine quality, and productiveness. It is as early and of better quality than the Egyptian. It makes a fine market crop in seven weeks from sowing. Of fine, globular shape, good size and smooth roots. In color the flesh is of light pink; it boils red; very tender and sweet. Illustration above.

ECLIPSE. The Eclipse is remarkable, not only for its wonderfully rapid growth, but for the smallness of top and extra fine quality. It is as early as the Egyptian, and of better quality. The roots grow smooth, of round shape, blood-red skin and flesh, fine-grained and sweet. Its small top, extreme earliness, and heavy cropping qualities recommend it to market gardeners.

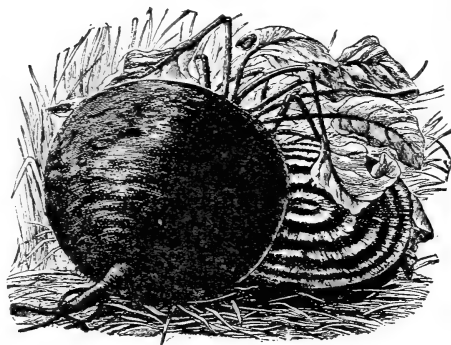
EXTRA EARLY EGYPTIAN TURNIP. Heretofore considered the earliest of all, growing with wonderful rapidity. Bulbs resemble a flat turnip in shape, and have blood-red flesh. Of good quality for early use, the beets become stringy with age, are not to be used when large.

COLUMBIA BEET. It is ready to use very early, growing as quickly as the Egyptian; it does not become coarse and stringy when of large size. Compared with such sorts as Edmand's and Eclipse, the COLUMBIA has proved earlier than either, and better in quality. In habit of growth it is even; foliage small, neat, and of a rich bronze color. It is also good for winter, grown from seed sown in July.

BASTIAN'S HALF LONG BLOOD RED BEET (Philadelphia Perfection). This is a favorite variety with Philadelphia truckers. The roots are of handsome shape and fine quality. It is of quick growth, and ready to market soon after the Early Turnip varieties. For winter use, plant about the middle of July.

I can also furnish following varieties at prices of above sorts: Burpee's Early Turnip Beet; Improved Blood Turnip Beet; Dewing's Improved Turnip Beet; Detroit Dark Red Turnip Beet; Improved Arlington; Market Gardeners' Beet.

Electric Beet.



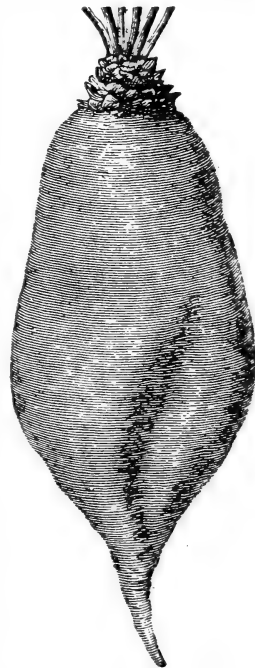
[From a Photograph.]

ELECTRIC BEET. In the Electric we have more good qualities than were ever combined in any one variety before. In shape it is almost round. The leaves are small and compact, and very close to the center of the bulb. The tap-root is small. The color is crimson, the prevailing shade being very dark. The constancy of color in every bulb enhances its value. It is extremely early, coming in with Extra Early Egyptian. But it is when prepared for the table that its fine qualities become most apparent, the fine, rich color making it conspicuous. The flesh, of delicate texture, is rich, sugary and entirely free from fibre. We are confident that it will secure a permanent place in every garden where tried. (See cut.) Prices: Packet, 5 cts.; ounce, 10 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 20 cts.; pound, 50 cts.

IMPROVED MAMMOTH PRIZE LONG RED

MANGEL (also called Norbitan Giant and Jumbo Mangel). The heaviest cropping and best long Mangel. This mammoth variety grows to an immense size, single roots weighing twenty to thirty pounds each, and always of very fine texture and good quality. It is remarkable for the broad shoulder and massive shape of the root, by which a great weight is obtained without coarseness. In England it has produced from sixty to seventy-five tons of roots per acre.

Price: Postpaid, ounce, 5 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ pound, 15 cts.; $\frac{1}{2}$ pound, 20 cts.; 1 pound, 30 cts., or 5 pounds (for one acre) \$1.20. Deduct 8 cts. per lb. if ordered by express or freight.



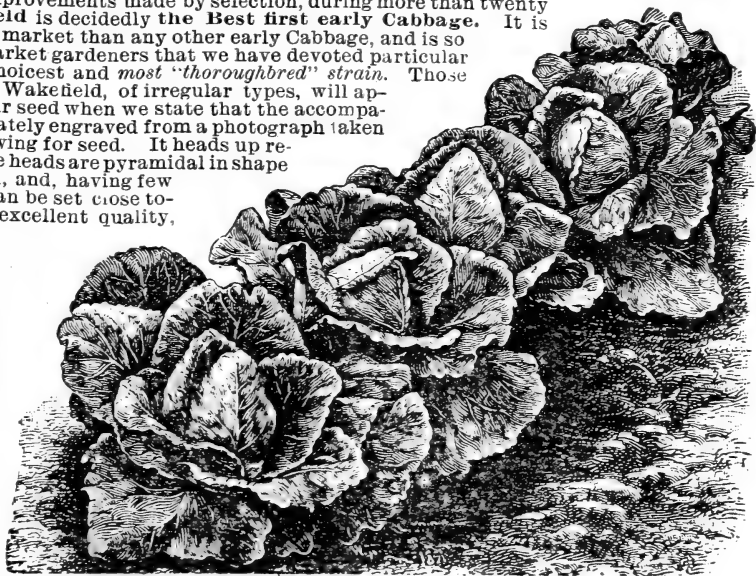
LONG RED MANGEL.

YELLOW TANKARD.

Best for dairy farming. Considered indispensable among English dairy farmers; it is stated by them they are able to obtain a higher price for milk when feeding cows on Golden Tankard. Sheep thrive on it. Other Mangels cut white circled with yellow, but Golden Tankard is of a rich, deep yellow throughout. Early, hardy and a heavy cropper, for on account of its shape roots can be left standing close in rows. Do not omit this variety when ordering. Same price as Long Red Mangel.

EARLY JERSEY WAKEFIELD CABBAGE.

With the continued improvements made by selection, during more than twenty years, the **Jersey Wakefield** is decidedly the **Best first early Cabbage**. It is grown more extensively for market than any other early Cabbage, and is so universally popular with market gardeners that we have devoted particular attention to growing the choicest and most "thoroughbred" strain. Those familiar only with the old Wakefield, of irregular types, will appreciate the "truthness" of our seed when we state that the accompanying illustration was accurately engraved from a photograph taken of a portion of the field growing for seed. It heads up remarkably hard and solid; the heads are pyramidal in shape generally pointed at the end, and, having few outside leaves, the plants can be set close together. The heads are of excellent quality, and of large size for so early a Cabbage. *The outer leaves are unusually thick and heavy (much more so than in any other early Cabbage), and it is thereby enabled to stand more cold weather without injury when carried through the winter either in the open ground in the South or in cold frames in the North.* Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 15 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 50 cts.; per lb., \$1.50, postpaid.



PRICES of all varieties of Cabbage Seed on this page, unless otherwise quoted: Pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 12 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 35 cts.; $\frac{1}{2}$ lb., 65 cts.; lb., \$1.25, postpaid.

EXTRA EARLY EXPRESS CABBAGE.

"Excels in earliness all the sorts we have grown; has but a few outside leaves, and therefore may be planted very close and yield large crops." Above is the description of the Express Cabbage, and eight years' trial have convinced us that it is generally a **week earlier than any other early Cabbage**. This Cabbage has also been reintroduced under the names of "Wonderful," "Lightning," "Earliest Etampes," etc.

HENDERSON'S EARLY SPRING CABBAGE.

A first early flat cabbage coming in with the Wakefield and yielding one third more than any other Extra Early. Every head is uniform as if moulded, and remarkably solid even when young. Few and small outside leaves. Small veins. Fine texture and delicate flavor. This variety is the best new acquisition to the cabbage family.

BURPEE'S ALLHEAD EARLY CABBAGE.

This is, without question, the **best second-early Cabbage**. If planters everywhere only knew the excellence of the Allhead Early Cabbage, even my large supply of seed would not suffice to meet the demand. It is undoubtedly unequalled as an *early summer cabbage*, and is fully as good for winter use, being really an all-the-year-round cabbage.

EARLY WINNINGSTADT.

A well-known and very popular second-early variety; heads large, conical; very solid and hard, even in summer. This is a very sure-heading variety, valuable not only for early use, but also for winter cabbage.

WORLD BEATER.

A very large autumn or winter cabbage, "solid as a rock," true to type, sure to head, fine grained and tender, stalks short, foliage dark green.

HENDERSON'S SUCCESSION CABBAGE.

This new variety, of which we offer the best Long Island seed, grown from headquarters stock, is a very good cabbage and fairly popular. It is a second-early sort, about ten days later than the Early Summer, and larger both in habit of growth and heads. It is an excellent keeper, and in color an attractive light green.

LARGE WAKEFIELD, or Charleston

Wakefield—A selection from Early Jersey Wakefield, only it is about a week later than that popular early variety, but grows much larger, heads often averaging 15 to 18 lbs., as solid as Winningstadt and exceeding it as a sure header and in earliness.

BURPEE'S or MAULE'S SURE HEAD.

This sort produces large, round, flattened heads, which are of uniform size, very hard and of fine texture, and weighs from 10 to 15 lbs. It is a good keeper and shipper, of fine quality and *certain to head*, even in the most unfavorable seasons. A general favorite with market gardeners and large growers.

SHORT STEM DRUMHEAD.

No cabbage is so universally grown as this, because the seed may be sown in the open ground and the young plants raised without the use of hotbeds—hence it is a universal favorite for general use. For heading, evenness of crop and size our strain of this cannot be surpassed.

FOTTLER'S SHORT STEM BRUNSWICK.

A rapid grower, has large, solid heads and but few outside leaves. If planted early it is ready for use in July or August; planted late it is a choice winter sort.

MARBLEHEAD MAMMOTH.

Largest cabbage in the world.

AUTUMN KING.

One of the finest strains of late cabbage ever offered. It produces regular, even heads of *enormous size*, and can be relied upon to produce a greater weight of crop from the same space of ground than most of the late sorts.

MAMMOTH ROCK RED.

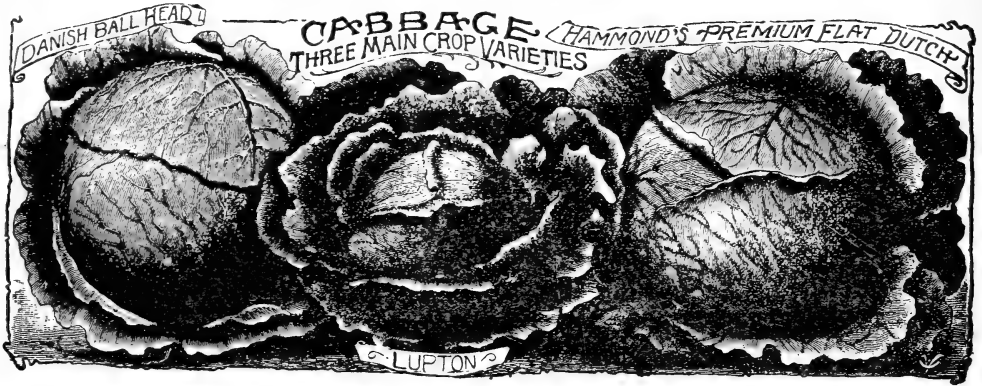
The largest red cabbage in cultivation. Heads deep red to the center and will frequently average 10 to 12 pounds each. A sure cropper, and in every way a fine, first-class sort. Lb., \$1.90; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 50c.; oz., 15c.; pkt., 5c.

EARLY SUMMER.

This variety is deservedly popular with market gardeners. It forms large, solid, round, flattened, compact heads, of excellent quality. It is among the most compact growers of the second earlies and a sure header.

Remember, my prices include postage. If ordered by Express, at expense of purchaser, deduct 8 cts. per lb. from prices quoted above.

Some seedsmen offer packets of seeds at 3 and 4 cts. a packet but that is not any saving when you only get that amount of seed. I sell nearly all kinds at 5 cts. a packet and give 5 cts. worth of seed in a packet every time. My prices were never lower and I am going to sell more seed at a lower price this year than any seedsman in America. Read what I say on the second page.



DANISH BALL HEAD.

The hardest heading, surest heading, most popular late cabbage ever introduced. This variety has become so universally popular that some seedsmen have renamed it **Holland, Hollander, Dutch Winter**, etc. The weight of a head trimmed for market is fully one-fourth more than that of any other variety of a similar size. Destined to become one of the standard market varieties. Give this variety a trial. Pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 15 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 60 cts.; pound, \$2.00.

HAMMOND'S PREMIUM FLAT DUTCH.

For years past, by means of continual and careful selection, one of my strong points has always been this standard Winter Cabbage, which, taking the country over, is still the most popular among market growers. Heads are large, sound, solid, broad, flat on top and of a bluish-green color. It is a low growing variety, with few outer leaves. The quality is fine and flavor excellent; heads when opened being crisp and white. My seed is and always has been American grown. Do not be misled by reason of low prices, into purchasing the imported seed so generally offered. Whoever purchases my strain of Flat Dutch can rest assured that if there is any better I do not know where they can obtain it. Pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 15 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 60 cts.; pound, \$2.00.

WINTER CABBAGE—THE LUPTON.

"The Lupton Cabbage is the result of an effort to combine in one variety the best qualities of the second-early and the late sorts. . . . I do not know of a Cabbage which I would as soon plant for a main-crop variety as this one. It is a little earlier than any one of the various strains of **Flat Dutch** and **Drumhead**, and of closer growth. The heads are particularly large in proportion to the plant, which grows strong but does not spread out much. The stalk is rather short, color dark green. In a great measure we appear to have succeeded in getting rid of the coarseness of the late sorts, as the quality is fine; it is also one of the **best keepers we have**, and comes out in the spring bright and fresh. The heads are not likely to crack open, which is quite a remarkable Cabbage in this respect. As for uniformity, it will grow more uniform and head better than late varieties."

Everyone should plant the **Lupton Cabbage** this season. Market Gardeners will find this variety the most profitable sort for winter and spring use, as it is the best keeping sort I have ever seen tested.

Prices: Pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 15 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 45 cts.; pound, \$1.40.

EARLY SNOWBALL CAULIFLOWER.

It is hardly necessary for us to describe this variety at all, as its name has now become a household word wherever this delicious vegetable is grown. **Snowball Cauliflower** is the standard everywhere for quality with the seedsman, the market gardener and the amateur. While originally recommended and used as an early variety, it has not only supplanted all other sorts for early spring planting, but it has largely driven out the large late sorts for fall use, being much finer in quality, and the only Cauliflower that is absolutely certain to head when the conditions are right, forming a perfect snow-white head, averaging nine inches in diameter.

Prices of **Early Snowball, Burpee's Best Early, Maule's Prize Earliest**, and **Dwarf Erfurt Cauliflower**: Pkt., 10 cts.; $\frac{1}{2}$ oz., 80 cts.; one oz., \$1.40; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., \$4.00.



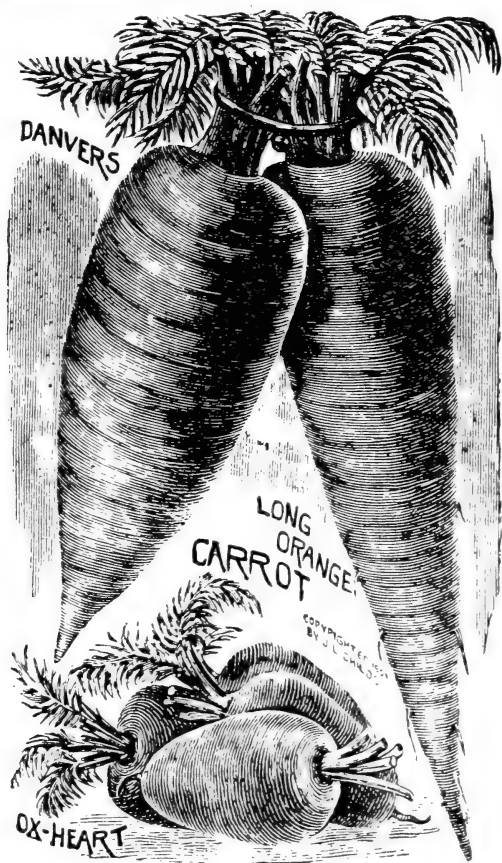
BURPEE'S BEST EARLY CAULIFLOWER.

This grand variety has proved to be as claimed, one of the very best early Cauliflowers in cultivation. It has attained its present perfection after sixteen years' intelligent selection by one grower, and is remarkable both for its extra earliness and certainty to head.

MAULE'S PRIZE EARLIEST.—I challenge the world to produce a finer, handsomer, or earlier Cauliflower. Whether for forcing or open ground, planted early or late, it is the surest header of all. Very dwarf and compact in growth, like the **Snowball**, it can be planted very close, 18 inch each way, and is particularly desirable for forcing under glass. In my trial grounds every plant produced a superb head.

EXTRA EARLY DWARF ERFURT (Extra Selected). Remarkable for reliability in heading. Very dwarf, with solid, pure white heads of superior quality. If planted the first of March, heads nine to twelve inches in diameter will be ready early in June.

Extra Early Paris. Very early, good for forcing. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 75 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., \$2.00; per lb., \$7.50.



CARROT.

Popular both for table and stock. A heavy cropper. Roots can be kept for winter, like beets or turnips.

DANVERS (Private Stock). The true strain. No better to be found anywhere. All gardeners know the importance of securing the best seed to grow really fine crops. This can be relied upon as the best seed to be obtained at any price. This will yield 30 tons per acre. Postpaid, packet, 5 cts.; ounce, 10 cts.; pound, 80 cts.

IMPROVED LONG ORANGE. A very popular variety for stock feeding. Heavy cropper. Postpaid, packet, 5 cts.; ounce, 7 cts.; pound, 50 cts.

OX-HEART. An early table sort; small and short, but fine grained and tender. Can be forced or sown in the garden for early use. Postpaid, pkt., 5 cts.; ounce, 6 cts.; pound, 50 cts.; 3 lbs. or more, 40 cts. per lb., postpaid.

PARSLEY.



EXTRA CURLED DWARF PARSLEY.

EXTRA CURLED DWARF, or Emerald Parsley. See illustration. This is a most beautiful and valuable variety. The moss-like leaves, of a handsome bright green color, are finely crimped and curled. For garnishing, no variety is more attractive. Per packet, 5 cts.; ounce, 10 cts.; ¼ lb., 20 cts.; pound, 70 cts, postpaid.



VICTORIA SPINACH. From a Photograph.

SPINACH.

If ordered by express, deduct EIGHT CENTS per pound.

NEW VICTORIA. The illustration above shows a plant engraved from a photograph. The foliage is heavy; the broad, dark green leaves being of the true Savoy appearance and of the finest quality, but the most remarkable feature that will make it of special value (for spring planting) is the fact that it is in prime condition from two weeks to three weeks after all other varieties of Spinach have run to seed. Postpaid, packet, 5 cts.; ounce, 7 cts.; ¼ lb., 10 cts.; pound, 30 cts.; 4 lbs., \$1.00.

NEW ZEALAND SPINACH (*Tetragonia expansa*.) Very useful to supply the place of the ordinary Spinach during the hottest months of the year. The seed is sown where the plants are to stand, in May, and the plants will continue to yield a supply of good leaves of excellent quality during the entire summer. Postpaid, packet, 5 cts.; oz., 7 cts.; ¼ lb., 10 cts.; pound, 30 cts.

LONG-STANDING PRICKLY. The plants mature a little later than the round-leaved sorts, but furnish a large quantity of very thick leaves of excellent flavor. Postpaid, packet, 5 cts.; oz., 7 cts.; ¼ lb., 10 cts.; pound, 30 cts.

EGG PLANT.

NEW YORK IMPROVED LARGE PURPLE.

The leading market variety; of large size, skin deep purple, smooth, free of thorns; flesh white, of excellent quality; very productive. This is without exception the best egg plant in cultivation, and so much surer to bear than the Black Pekin that we have discarded the latter. Our seed is an extra selected strain of superb quality. Postpaid, packet, 5 cts.; oz., 20 cts.; ¼ lb., 75 cts.; pound, \$2.75.

KOHL-RABI, or Turnip-Rooted Cabbage.

EARLIEST WHITE VIENNA. Smooth, short leaf, excellent for forcing, and of fine quality. Postpaid, packet, 5 cts.; oz., 15 cts.; ¼ lb., 40 cts.; pound, \$1.25.

ENDIVE.

GREEN CURLED. The hardest variety; very ornamental, curled, dark green leaves, which blanch white and crisp. Postpaid, packet, 5 cts.; oz., 10 cts.; ¼ lb., 30 cts.; pound, \$1.00.

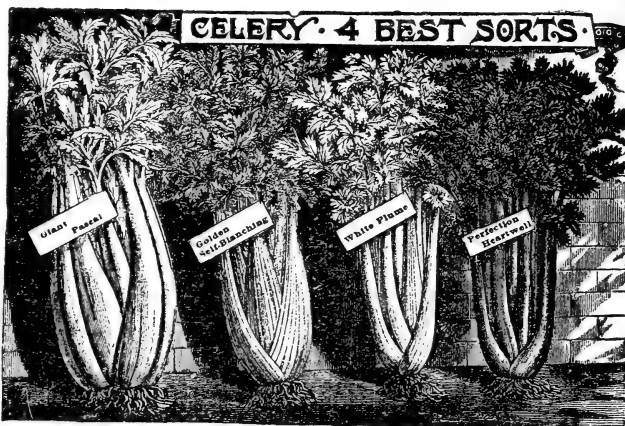
BORECOLE, OR KALE.

DWARF GERMAN KALE. German Greens or Sprouts. (*Dwarf Curled Scotch Kale*.) This is more hardy than Cabbage, and makes excellent greens for winter and spring use. The leaves are curly, bright green, very tender, and delicate in flavor. Sow seed in May or June, transplant in July, and cultivate same as Cabbage. For early spring use, sow in September; protect over winter with a covering of straw or litter. Postpaid, pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 10 cts.; ¼ lb., 20 cts.; pound, 60 cts.

WHITE PLUME. A desirable feature of this Celery is that (similar to the *Golden Self-Blanching*), *naturally*, its stalks and portions of its inner leaves and heart are white, so that by closing the stalks, by simply drawing the soil up against the plant and pressing it together with the hands, the work of blanching is completed, without, as in most varieties, the additional troublesome process of "banking." It is also ornamental on the table, and is the earliest celery in cultivation, but will not keep longer than Christmas. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 15 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 40 cts.; lb., \$1.50.

HENDERSON'S NEW PINK PLUME CELERY is a strong, healthy, compact grower, with no tendency to rust; stems very solid and crisp, extra early, and a long keeper, remaining when properly trenched in perfect condition away into the spring. It is a self-blanching variety in the same sense that White Plume and Golden Self-Blanching are—that is, it requires but a slight earthing up or banking to prepare the variety for the table. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 20 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 50 cts.; lb., \$1.75, postpaid.

GOLDEN SELF-BLANCHING. It cannot be too highly recommended. The beautiful appearance of the plant, with its close habit, compact growth, and straight, vigorous stalks, is faithfully shown in the illustration. The ribs are perfectly solid, crisp, brittle, and of delicious flavor, surpassed by no other variety, while it has the decided merit of being self-blanching to a very remarkable degree. Without banking up or any covering whatever, even the outer ribs become of a handsome, fresh, yellowish-white color. Per pkt., 5c; oz., 15 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 55 cts.; lb., \$1.75, postpaid.



GIANT PASCAL, best for winter use. The stalks are remarkably large, thick, solid and *entirely stringless*; it is the largest grown as regards width and thickness of stalks. When fully grown the outer stalks average two inches wide, and are nearly as thick as a man's finger. The immense stalks can be sliced lengthwise, and are always *very crisp brittle*, snapping like glass. Unlike most celeries, it never becomes watery. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 12 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 35 cts.; lb., \$1.25.

PERFECTION HEARTWELL. Similar to Crawford's Half Dwarf, but taller and a little later in maturing. The stalks are medium sized, round, very solid, crisp and tender. A favorite with many. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 10 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 30 cts.; lb., \$1.10.

TURNIPS.

My prices are for Seeds postpaid, by Mail.

If ordered by Express, deduct 8 cts. per pound. Customers will do well to order their Turnip seed when sending their general orders, but those who prefer to wait until the seed is actually needed, even as late as July and August, will be supplied at the same low prices.

EARLY RED or PURPLE TOP STRAP LEAVED.



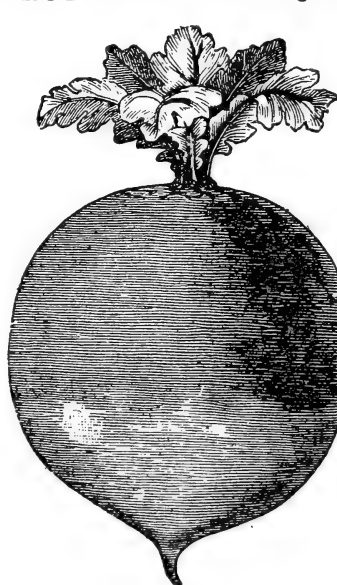
PURPLE TOP STRAP LEAVED.

The most generally planted variety. It is a quick grower, the flesh is very fine-grained and sweet-flavored. The red top of the bulb, which extends down to where it rests in the soil, adds very much to the appearance of this popular variety. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 6 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 15 cts.; lb., 40 cts.

EXTRA EARLY PURPLE TOP MILAN, STRAP LEAVED. This splendid new Turnip is the earliest in cultivation. The bulb is very flat, of medium size, quite smooth, with a bright purple top; leaves few, short and of light color, growing very compact and making an exceedingly small top. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 7 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 18 cts.; lb., 50 cts.

EARLY WHITE FLAT DUTCH, STRAP LEAVED. A very popular market variety. Grows quickly, comes early, clear white skin; flesh of juicy, mild flavor and excellent quality. For early use sow very early in the spring, and again in July and August for autumn use. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 7 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 15 cts.; lb., 40 cts. 5 lbs. either Early Red or Flat Dutch or half of each, postpaid, \$1.75.

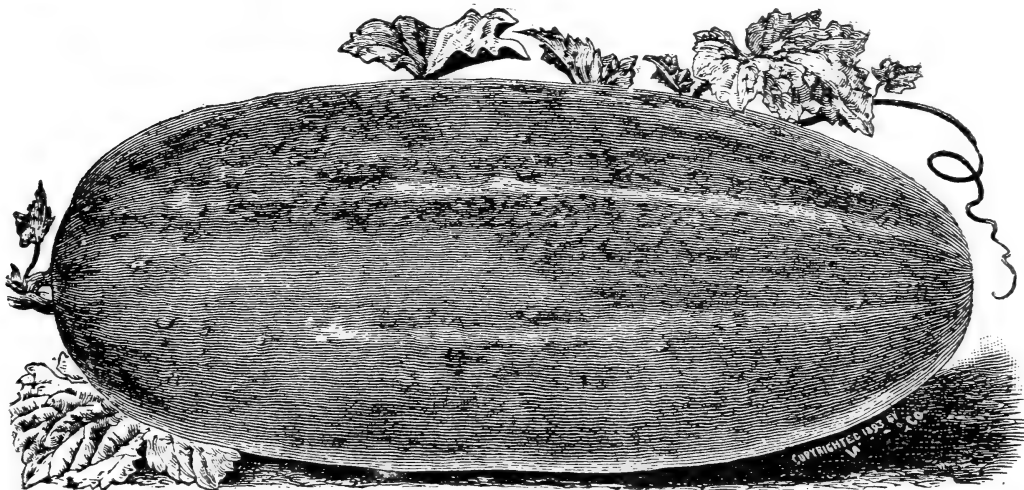
IMPROVED PURPLE TOP or LONG ISLAND RUTA BAGA.



IMPROVED PURPLE TOP.

This magnificent Swede, the result of judicious selection, is the hardiest, most productive and most nutritious variety in cultivation. It is a large purple top yellow variety; shape slightly oblong, with single tap-root, free from coarseness of neck, and for uniformity of crop and keeping qualities is superior to all other Swedes. It produces a very heavy weight per acre and keeps sound and good until late in the spring; flesh always sweet and rich. Per pkt., 5c; oz., 7c; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 15c; lb., 40c.

MAULE'S HEAVY CROPPING SWEDE. This magnificent Ruta Baga is unquestionably the most profitable of all Swede Turnips, as well as the hardiest, heaviest, best shaped and most productive. Bulbs always remain sound and good when flatter varieties will rot. Flesh is a beautiful yellow, of the choicest quality and full of nourishment. Undoubtedly the finest of all Swedes, and a variety that should be sown in preference to all others. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 7 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 15 ct.; 1 lb., 40 cts., postpaid. 5 lbs. of either variety, \$1.75, postpaid.



FORDHOOK WHITE SPINE CUCUMBER. ACCURATELY ENGRAVED FROM A PHOTOGRAPH.

FORDHOOK WHITE SPINE CUCUMBER.

THE FORDHOOK has the perfect form shown in above illustration, and is a marked improvement over all other strains of White Spine. The cucumbers are almost cylindrical in shape, slightly pointed at the ends, and handsome in appearance, being perfectly smooth and not ridged, as in other strains. The vines are of vigorous growth and enormously productive, the fruits retaining their dark green color after being picked longer than any other variety; even when practically *white* they still present a greenish tinge. Unequaled alike for market and for commercial pickles. **Prices of all varieties of Cucumbers, unless otherwise quoted:**

Per pkt., 5 cts.; per oz., 7 cts.; per 1-4 lb., 15 cts.; per lb., 40 cts. postpaid; by express, per lb., 32 cts.

EARLY RUSSIAN. Earliest in cultivation, hardy, prolific, and only about three inches long; fine for pickles and unsurpassed for table use, being remarkably solid, with very few seeds, and of best quality.

EARLY CLUSTER. Vines vigorous, producing the bulk of the crop near the root and in clusters. Fruit short, holding full size to each end, dark green, but paler at blossom end. A very productive sort.

CHICAGO, OR WESTERFIELD PICKLING. Very popular with Chicago market gardeners, and extensively grown in that vicinity. Fruit medium length, pointed at each end, with very large and prominent spines; color deep green.

NEW EXTRA EARLY WHITE SPINE. This special strain of White Spine Cucumber is noted for its *extra earliness*; it is earlier than either the *Fordhook*, *Hill's*, or *Arlington*. The cucumbers are smaller in size, but of fine form and good color, while their extreme earliness renders this strain valuable.

IMPROVED WHITE SPINE, OR ARLINGTON. For market use and pickling this variety is now more largely grown than any other, and is much superior to the old White Spine. Our stock is grown from the true Boston strain.

NICHOLS' MEDIUM GREEN. (HEADQUARTERS STOCK.) Color dark green; flesh crisp and tender; productive; medium size; always straight and smooth; a real handsome, good variety.

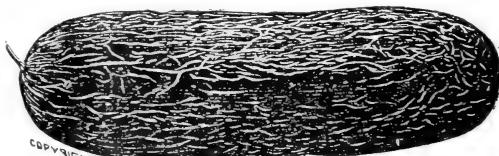
COOL AND CRISP. In shape this new cucumber is one of the most desirable for pickles. Until they reach their full size they are of a very dark green color, almost "black." While primarily a pickling variety, it is also useful for slicing.

IMPROVED LONG GREEN (Jersey Pickle). A standard pickling variety; dark green, tender, crisp, productive, of fine flavor and uniform size. We supply each season hundreds of the most critical Jersey market gardeners and pickle growers with our superior strain.

THORBURN'S NEW EVER-BEARING CUCUMBER. This new variety, first offered in 1891, has proved very useful on account of its

ever-bearing character. The first cucumbers are ready *very early*; then the vines continue to flower and produce fruit *continuously until killed by frost*, whether the ripe cucumbers are picked off or not, *differing in this respect from all other sorts in cultivation.*

BURPEE'S WHITE WONDER. The cucumbers are thickly set throughout the length of the vine and are uniform in color, shape, and size; the skin is thin, while the pearly-white flesh is *exquisitely fine in quality*, quite brittle, and remains solid for a long time. The color is always ivory-white. Of unusual hardness, and a *sure cropper*. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 15 cts.; per lb., 50 cts., postpaid.

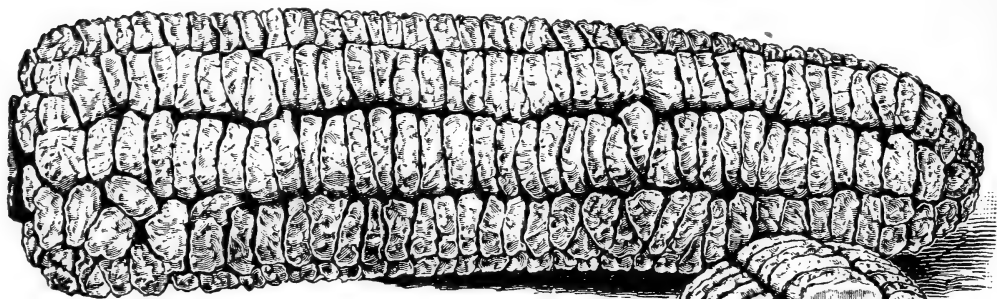


NEW JAPANESE CLIMBING CUCUMBER.

The vines are of healthy, vigorous growth, with rich dark green foliage, and throw out *strong grasping tendrils*, which enable it to climb trellis, wire netting, brush, or any other suitable support. It comes into bearing quickly and continues abundantly throughout the season, while the climbing habit enables the hanging fruit to grow perfectly straight; from twelve to sixteen inches in length, the cucumbers are thick, tender, and of delicate flavor; flesh pure white, skin dark green turning to brown and netted when ripe. They are of good quality, and when young make attractive pickles. Per pkt. 5 cts.; per oz. 10 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 15 cts.; lb., 50 cts., postpaid.

My cucumber seed is all *Michigan Northern grown* which is the *best* obtainable in America. Nearly all other Seedsmen handle Western grown cucumber seed because it is cheaper. I will quote special prices at any time on cucumber seed in quantity.

THE BEST SUGAR CORN.



SWEET CORN—"FIRST OF ALL."

The Earliest of All. Earlier than the Early Cory. This single statement will make thousands of our customers eager to have the **FIRST OF ALL** Sweet Corn. For years we have been watching all new varieties in the hope that we would eventually get a Sweet Corn even earlier than the famous **Cory Corn**, and at last this has been accomplished. The **FIRST OF ALL** is ready for the table from *three days to a week earlier than the Cory*, making it very desirable not only for family gardens, but extremely valuable to grow for market, where the earliest corn always brings by far the highest prices. The illustration, engraved from a photograph, reduced in size, shows the form of the ears, which are of medium size, well filled with large grains to the very tip. Many of the ears contain ten to twelve rows, while ears of the **Cory Corn** generally have only eight rows. In habit of growth it is rather dwarfer than the **Cory**, although similar in appearance, but *superior in quality, tender and sweet.*

Prices of all varieties of Sweet Corn on this page: Postpaid, packet, 5 cts.; pint, 15 cts.; quart, 25 cts. Not prepaid, pint, 10 cts.; quart, 15 cts.; peck, 60 cts.; half bushel, \$1.25; bushel, \$2.00.

EARLY FORDHOOK. Is undoubtedly the largest-eared extra early Corn, averaging in length fully seven inches. The grains and cob are pure white. The ears are eight rowed with very small cobs and unusually deep grains. The quality is excellent.

THE CORY. It has become very popular, because *extremely early*, but is now excelled by the new **FIRST OF ALL** and **EARLY FORDHOOK**.

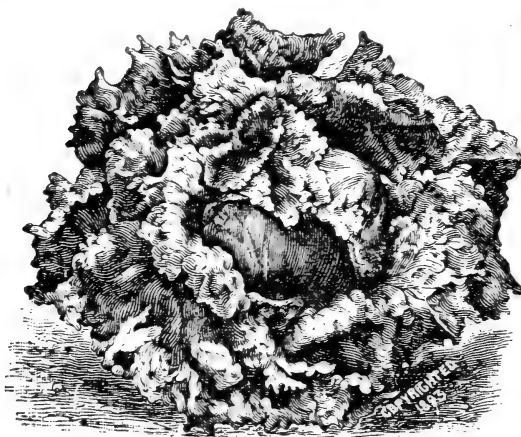
COUNTRY GENTLEMAN. In this we have a variety which produces ears of full size, retaining all the delicious sweetness and high quality of the original *Ne Plus Ultra*. The crop can be counted on to give three to five ears to a stalk. The cob is very small, thereby giving great depth to the kernels, which are of pearly whiteness, and, we cannot say too often, *surprisingly sweet and tender.*

MAULE'S XX SUGAR. One of the most successful market gardeners in the United States has grown this variety to the exclusion of all other sorts for the last twenty years, and has never succeeded in securing anything that would begin to come up to it, either in productiveness, quality, or above all, in quick market sales. It is fit for the table in nine to ten weeks from planting, and is of the most delicious, sweet and sugary flavor. It is of comparatively dwarf habit, stalks seldom growing more than four to five feet high. Produces ears as large as **Evergreen**. Planted as late as the middle of July, it has frequently matured a most excellent paying crop.

STOWELL'S EVERGREEN. This famous sweet corn, as now improved, is the **best** for main crop. This grand old variety, first introduced through the Philadelphia market many years ago, has had many competitors for first place as the standard main-crop Sweet Corn. It has withstood the test of time and competition, and by the private planter, canner, and market gardener, is more generally grown to-day than ever before. In the hands of the experienced grower it has been so vastly improved that, although very fine when originated by Mr. Nathan Stowell, of Burlington County, N. J., in whose honor it was named, it is now as superior to the original stock of many years ago as this was to the old varieties which it superseded. For table use the quality of the **Improved Stowell's Evergreen Sweet Corn** cannot be excelled; it is very tender, sugary, and remains a long time in condition suitable for cooking. Coming into market at a time when the main-crops are being sold, these are very important conditions. The seed which we offer is *free from glaze and flint*, has been grown completely isolated from all other varieties, and is warranted pure and true; its qualities will not be found in the **Stowell's Evergreen Sweet Corn** as usually sold, which has generally deteriorated both in quality and productiveness.

I can also furnish **Early Minnesota**, **Crosby's Early**, **Stabler's Early**, **Ruby Sweet**, **Adam's Extra Early**, at same prices as other varieties quoted above.

For lack of space in this Catalogue I cannot publish the Thousands of Testimonials I have in favor of **HAMMOND'S SEEDS**. I have a printed list of testimonials which I will send to any address on request.



NEW ICEBERG LETTUCE.

NEW ICEBERG LETTUCE. There is no handsomer or more solid Cabbage Lettuce in cultivation—in fact, it is strikingly beautiful. The large, curly leaves which cover the outside of the solid heads are of a bright light green. The unusual solidity of the heads is insured by the large, white main ribs of the leaves, each of which, curving strongly into the center, acts like a truss, making it impossible for the leaves to open outward and expose the center, which is constantly thoroughly blanched. It matters not whether in the early spring or the hottest days of summer, the leaves are always *crisp and tender*.

* I can also supply Black Seeded Simpson, *
Early Prize Head, California Cream Butter
and Philadelphia Butter Lettuce. Same
* prices as others.

PRICES of all varieties of Lettuce: Pkt., 5 cts.
oz., 7 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 15 cts.; per lb., 50 cts., postpaid.

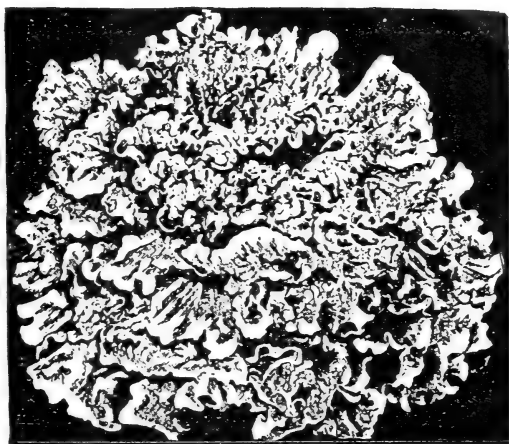


EARLIEST CARMINE OLIVE SHAPED (Short Leaf, Red Rocket, Improved Scarlet Globe or Startle) **RADISH.** One of the handsomest and best of all the extra early radishes—hence its multiplicity of names. The root is regularly olive shaped, very even, and with a smooth skin, of a rich dark carmine color.

WHITE TIPPED SCARLET BALL RADISH. (*Scarlet Turnip White Tipped Forcing.*) A small, round turnip-shaped radish, of bright scarlet, distinctly tipped with clear white, sharply delineated, which gives a very pleasing appearance to the bunches when ready for market.

EARLY ROUND DARK RED. It grows so quickly that the radishes are ready to pull in *fifteen to twenty days after sowing*.

FRENCH BREAKFAST. A variety of quick growth. Very mild and tender; one of the best for forcing; oval form, scarlet, tipped with white.



GRAND RAPIDS FORCING.

GRAND RAPIDS. Of superior quality and beautiful appearance, the **GRAND RAPIDS LETTUCE** is a strong grower, free from rot, and keeps crisp and tender without wilting, when exposed for sale, longer than any other forcing lettuce. We have also found it a desirable variety for early spring sowing in the open ground.

HANSON (Improved Hard-Heading Stock). We can recommend this as one of the *very best*. Heads green outside and white within; grows to a remarkable size, *very solid*, and is deliciously sweet, crisp and tender.

DENVER MARKET OR SAVOY. An early variety of Head Lettuce, either for forcing or open ground. Forms large, solid heads of a desirable light green color.

✿ RADISH SEED. ✿

PRICES of all varieties of Radish Seed by mail postpaid.
Pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 7 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 15 cts.; lb., 40 cts.

NEW, BRIGHT BREAKFAST RADISH (An Improved Type of the French Breakfast). Gardeners generally know what an improvement the *Early Round Dark Red Radish* is over the old *Early Scarlet Olive-Shaped Radish*. This variety is a similar improvement over the well-known and justly favorite *French Breakfast Radish*. The red skin is a much darker, richer color, contrasting vividly with the pure white tip. With particularly small tops the Radishes grow very quickly, and if pulled while young and small are as crisp, tender and good in taste as they are most attractive in appearance.

LONG CARDINAL RADISH. In shape very regular, smooth, and conical; in size it is intermediate between the long and half-long sorts. In color it is quite unique—being the *most fiery scarlet* we have ever seen in a radish.

NON PLUS ULTRA (Deep Scarlet Forcing Turnip). The earliest forcing radish in cultivation. Roots small, round, deep rich scarlet; crisp, tender white flesh.

CHARTIER (Scarlet, White Tip). A distinct, exceedingly handsome and attractive sort.

CHINESE ROSE, WINTER (Scarlet China). A bright, rose-colored winter variety. Sow in summer same as Turnips. This is of excellent quality, and is certainly one of the best varieties for winter use.

Our prices are for Seed postpaid by mail; if ordered by express, at expense of the purchaser, deduct 8 cts. per pound from prices quoted. Plant frequently for succession.

MUSKMELONS.

Prices of all varieties of Muskmelons on this page: Pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 7 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 12 cts.; $\frac{1}{2}$ lb., 22 cts.; pound, 40 cts., postpaid. If ordered by express deduct eight cents per pound.

GRAND RAPIDS. A new variety, remarkably early for its large size. Flesh very thick, fine grained, and of a rich salmon color. It is rapidly gaining popularity in the West, where it has been sold as high as \$2.50 per dozen to hotels and fancy grocers, while other melons from the South were unsalable. Its handsome shape and appearance always insure top notch market prices.

NEW EARLY HACKENSACK. By careful selection this strain has been so developed that it produces melons with all the good qualities of the well-known Hackensack Melon, but **ten days earlier.** A Melon grower near Albany, N. Y., states that with him the New Early Hackensack was at least two weeks earlier.

MONTREAL GREEN NUTMEG.

The fruit is nearly round, flattened at the ends, deeply and regularly ribbed; skin green, densely netted; flesh remarkably thick, light green, melting, and of a delicious flavor. To all who desire to raise extra large fine melons for market, we highly recommend the Montreal Improved Nutmeg.

TRUE OSAGE, or Miller's Cream. The most popular melon on the Western market. More largely grown for the Chicago trade than any other. The shape is pointed oval. Color dark green, slightly netted. Flesh of a rich salmon color, and in quality has no equal. Selected stock seed of my growing.

MELROSE. One of the best melons for home and market use. A hardy and vigorous grower and very productive. Flesh thick and solid and light green in color. Oval shape, finely and densely netted, very handsome in appearance, and average about 4 pounds in weight. Fine flavor.

LIVINGSTON'S TIP-TOP NUTMEG. A new and very distinct variety. In quality it is one of the best of the yellow-fleshed sorts. It grows to good size, and its handsome appearance is very captivating either on the table or market stall.

LONG ISLAND BEAUTY. A splendid new variety of the Hackensack type, originated on Long Island. It is of superior quality, with green flesh, and densely netted. In shape it resembles the Hackensack. It is also very early.

BURPEE'S NETTED GEM MELON. They are thick-meated, the flesh is light green in color, and uniformly of fine, luscious flavor; skin green, regularly ribbed and thickly netted. Very prolific and extra early in ripening—no variety being earlier. It is to-day more largely grown for the Philadelphia markets than any other variety.

EMERALD GEM. The flesh is peculiarly crystalline in appearance, and the flavor is sweet and luscious beyond description. The vines are thrifty in growth; the melons mature extremely early, and are of the most superb quality.

I can also supply the following well-known Muskmelons at the uniform price of; pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 7 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 12 cts.; pound, 40 cts.: Banquet, Delmonico, Cosmopolitan, Columbus, Maule's Perfection, Superior, Bay View, Champion Market, Shumway's Giant,

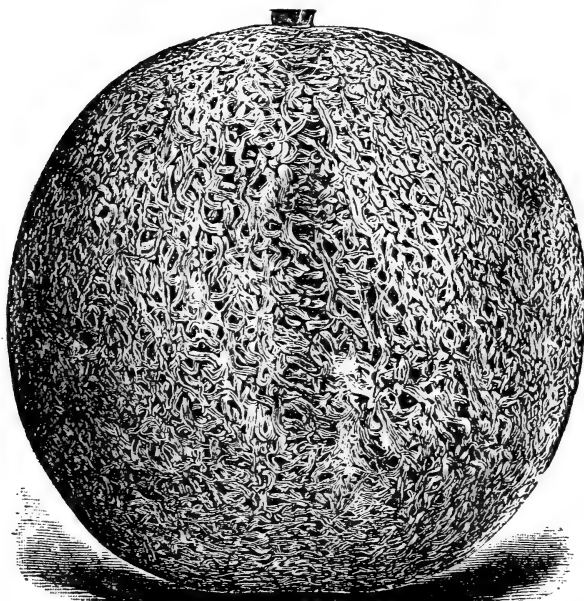
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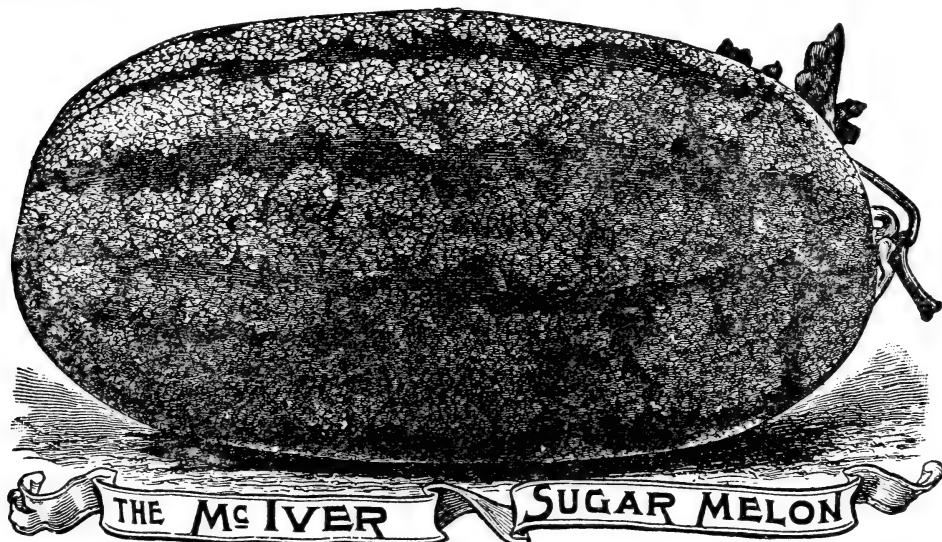
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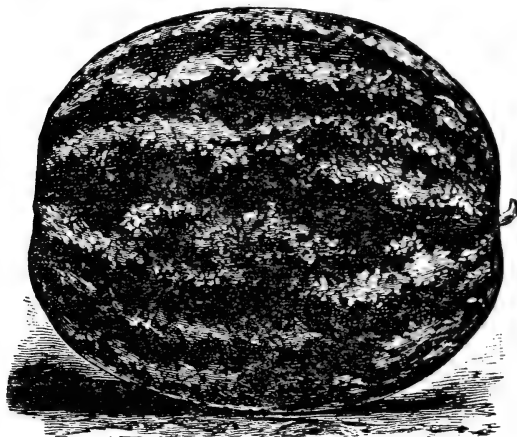


MELROSE MUSKMELON. FROM A PHOTOGRAPH.



McIVER SUGAR MELON.

Oblong in shape; the size is *uniformly large*. Of handsome appearance, the skin shows broad bands of white, shading into narrower bands of dark green. The quality is very superior: the flesh is of a soft pale pink, crisp, *free from any stringiness* (even after an unfavorable season), juicy, and of *luscious sweetness*. The melons have a solid heart, free from any cracks or open spaces, while the seed rows are close to the rim, thus leaving the largest possible quantity of solid flesh in the center of the melons. The rind is never more than one inch in thickness. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 7 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 15 cts.; per lb., 50 cts.; by mail, postpaid.



NEW WATERMELON—COLE'S EARLY.

WATERMELON—COLE'S EARLY. This is one of the finest *early* watermelons; of medium size, form and markings shown in the illustration engraved from a photograph. It is so early that it matures in every State; very hardy; the flesh is deep red in color, clear to the rind, and is most sweet and delicate in flavor. It is exceedingly brittle, and hence can not be shipped to distant markets, but is most desirable for the home garden. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 7 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 12 cts.; per lb., 35 cts., postpaid.

SWEET HEART. This new melon from Indiana has given excellent satisfaction. The melons are uniformly of good size, oval; skin light green, mottled. The bright, red flesh is solid and sweet. It is a good shipping melon and the fruit remains in fine condition for a long time. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 7 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 12 cts.; per lb., 35 cts., postpaid.

I have secured special low express and freight rates for my customers this year.

KOLB GEM. Largely grown by Southern shippers. The rind, though quite thin, is very tough, standing handling and shipment long distances without breakage. The flesh is of bright red and of fair quality. Pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 6 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 12 cts.; lb., 35 cts.; 5 lbs. and over, 30 cts. per lb., postpaid.

MAMMOTH IRON-CLAD. This melon grows to a very large *uniform size*, frequently weighing eighty pounds and over, and resembles in its markings the Cuban Queen. In *shape and seed*, however, it is *quite distinct*, being deeper and fuller at both ends, with seed of drab-white color. They are enormous yielders, flesh red, *solid*, and of excellent flavor. The rind is extremely tough and hard—hence their name—*Iron-Clad*—rendering them valuable for shipping. Pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 6 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 12 cts.; lb., 35 cts.; 5 lbs., \$1.50, postpaid.

BURPEE'S CUBAN QUEEN. The skin is beautifully striped, dark and light green. The flesh is bright red, remarkably firm, luscious, and sugary. They are wonderfully solid and their rind is unusually thin, being scarcely more than half an inch thick on a melon of enormous size. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 6 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 12 cts.; per lb., 35 cts., postpaid.

FORDHOOK EARLY—An Extra Early Melon of Large Size. The form is nearly round; average weight 35 lbs. The rind is tough, the outer color is uniform medium-green; seeds are white; the flesh is bright red and very sweet. Pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 6 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 12 cts.; lb., 35 cts.; 3 lbs. for \$1.00, postpaid.

I can also supply the following well-known varieties of watermelons at the uniform price of 5 cts.: per pkt., 12 cts. per $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 35 cts. per lb. postpaid: Dixie, Jones, Seminole, Jumbo, The Boss, Kentucky Wonder, Peerless, Gray Monarch, Delaware, Ruby Gold, Girardeau's New favorite.

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HAMMOND'S MICHIGAN GROWN ONION SEED.

It is now conceded by all leading *Seedsmen* and *Onion Growers* that *Michigan Grown Onion Seed* is the very best obtainable. Having made a specialty of the very best strains while growing onion seed for the wholesale and retail trade during the past ten years, I am in position to offer my customers the best onion seed in America at lower prices than ever quoted before on this high quality seed. It is to be regretted that fully 90 per cent. of the American seedsmen are offering cheap imported and California onion seed at lower prices than we can grow our best strains of superior *Michigan Grown Onion Seed*. Although the imported seed costs you considerable less than *Michigan grown seed*, yet from my experience in onion growing and the experience of my customers in comparing the seed in their trials, I am convinced it would be a most profitable investment to pay \$2 per pound for my *Michigan Grown Onion Seed* rather than take the California and imported seed as a gift. My new crop onion seed of 1897 is very heavy and of first-class germinating power. No seedsman can offer you onion seed to compare with my *Northern grown stock* at the prices I quote you. I have secured a supply of imported onion seed which I can offer at low prices to my customers the same as offered by other seedsmen, but I do not guarantee the imported seed in any way. If the season is unfavorable this seed is liable to run to stiff-necks and scallions. My *Michigan northern grown onion seed* being grown from choice selected bulbs, together with my long experience in growing onion seed of the very best quality, enables me to say without hesitation that my stock is fully equal to any and superior in quality to 90 per cent. of the onion seed sold annually. I do not offer the foreign onions. They are of no value to the American onion-grower. Special prices to market gardeners on large lots will be quoted by letter.

EXTRA EARLY RED. A medium-sized flat variety; an abundant producer, and very uniform in shape and size; moderately strong flavored, and comes into use nearly two weeks earlier than the Large Red Wethersfield. Very desirable for early market use. Packet 5 cts; oz., 7 cts; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 10 cts; lb., 60 cts, postpaid. Michigan seed.

LARGE RED WETHERSFIELD. This is the standard red variety and a favorite onion in the East, where immense crops are grown for shipment. Large size; skin deep purplish-red; form round, somewhat flattened; flesh purplish-white; moderately fine grained, and stronger flavored than any of the other kinds. Very productive, the best keeper, and one of the most popular for general cultivation. It is more inclined to form large necks if planted on unsuitable soil than the Danvers, but is the best variety on poor or dry soils. Packet, 5 cts; oz., 7 cts; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 20 cts; lb., 60 cts, postpaid. Michigan seed.

SOUTHPORT YELLOW GLOBE. This onion is spherical and of medium size. The color is a rich yellow and the quality excellent. Packet, 5 cts; oz., 7 cts; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 18 cts; lb., 60 cts, postpaid Michigan seed.

YELLOW GLOBE DANVERS. The ideal Danvers onion was originally oval or nearly flat, and it has been thought by many that its small neck and splendid ripening habit could only be obtained in onions of that shape, but we have by

careful selection and breeding developed a strain having to a remarkable degree the ripening habit and small neck of the original Danvers, and yet decidedly globular in form, thus giving larger yields and handsomer bulbs without sacrificing any of the good qualities of the most popular of yellow onions. Packet, 5 cts; oz., 7 cts; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 20 cts; lb., 60 cts, postpaid. Michigan seed.

MAMMOTH SILVER KING. An enormously large, flat onion, resembling the White Italian Tripoli, but is larger, slightly later and a better keeper, making it better suited for fall and early winter market. Skin silvery white, flesh pure white, very tender and mild flavored. Packet, 5 cts; oz., 10 cts; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 35 cts; lb., \$1.25. Michigan seed.

THE PRIZETAKER ONION. The American-Grown Prizetaker Onion grows uniform in shape, of a nearly perfect globe, with thin skin of bright straw color; it is of immense size, measuring from twelve to eighteen inches in circumference; while under special cultivation specimen bulbs have been raised to weigh from four to five and a half pounds each. It ripens up hard and fine, and presents the handsomest possible appearance. The flesh is pure white, fine grained, mild and delicate in flavor. Michigan seed. Per packet, 5 cts; per oz., 10 cts; per $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 40 cts; per lb., \$1.25, postpaid. I can furnish imported seed of above varieties, except Prizetaker and Silver King, at the uniform price of packet, 5 cts; oz., 6 cts; quarter lb., 15 cts., lb., 50 cts., postpaid.

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The Rose that has taken the country by storm **Crimson Rambler.** The demand for this rose has been unprecedented by anything in recent years. It succeeds everywhere and for everybody. Perfectly hardy in all parts of the country. The size, number and beauty of the flowers are truly wonderful. 430 buds and flowers were counted on one shoot. In rapidity of growth it astonishes everyone. It will please everybody, and last many, many years all from a trifling investment.

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BRIDESMAID. This exquisite new Tea Rose is considered an improved *Catherine Mermel*, from which it is a sport; lovely pointed buds on long stems; color, delicate pink.

MAD. FRANCISKA KRUGER. A strikingly handsome rose, and one of the very best for open-ground culture, especially adapted for beds or masses; the splendid flowers are deeply shaded copper yellow in color; very large.

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BEAUTY OF STAPLEFORD. Bright pink, shaded carmine; large size, very full, delightfully fragrant tea rose.

MADAME LAMBARDE. Extra large, full flowers of rosy-salmon; varies richly in color.

CLOTILDE SOUPERT. For general culture in the open ground its growth is simply perfect; the constant profusion of bloom from the handsome dwarf bushes is really wonderful. Pearl-white, with rose-pink center. We recommend this as the best of all roses for bedding.

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Either of above collections to any address; postpaid 50 cents. Both collections to same address, only 75 cents. Above twelve varieties comprise the **BEST ROSES THAT GROW.** To introduce the above choice roses everywhere I will allow you to select **FREE** from my 1898 catalogue Vegetable or Flower Seeds in packets to the amount of 25 cents with each 50 cents you send me for Roses. The seeds I will send postpaid also. This is the most liberal Rose offer ever made, as the varieties are the choicest novelties in Roses now offered. Strong plants only are sent. Address

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THE ORIGINAL GENUINE MAMMOTH PUMPKIN.

GENUINE MAMMOTH, or TRUE POT-IRON (also called **KING OF THE MAMMOTHS, Large Yellow Mammoth, Mammoth \$50.00 Pumpkin, and Jumbo Pumpkin**). The pride taken in growing the largest pumpkin, and the great demand for the seed, explains the multitude of names which this, the **Genuine Mammoth Pumpkin**, has received. It grows to an enormous size, three feet or more in diameter, and one hundred to two hundred pounds or more in weight. It has a salmon-colored skin; flesh, bright yellow, fine grained, and of good quality. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 10 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 20 cts.; per lb., 70 cts., postpaid.

QUAKER PIE. This comes from Washington Co., N. Y. It is both hardy and productive, and can be depended on to make a crop when others fail. Especially valuable for pies, being fine grained and of rich flavor, having none of the stringy nature common to so many varieties. It is early and keeps late, oval shaped, tapering at each end, of a cream color both inside and out. Pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 7 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 15 cts.; lb., 45 cts.; postpaid.

WINTER LUXURY PUMPKIN. Few, if any, pumpkins can equal the **Winter Luxury** for cooking—in fact, one of our growers, who knows all varieties, is emphatic in stating that "*It is the best pumpkin grown for pies.*" Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 7 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 15 cts.; per lb., 50 cts.

LARGE COMMON YELLOW FIELD ("Yankee Cow Pumpkin")—Easily grown alone or in the corn; *hardest of all Pumpkins*; good for pies; splendid stock pumpkin. Pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 6 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 10 cts.; lb., 30c.; 5 lbs., \$1.40 postpaid. If ordered by express deduct 8 cts. per pound.

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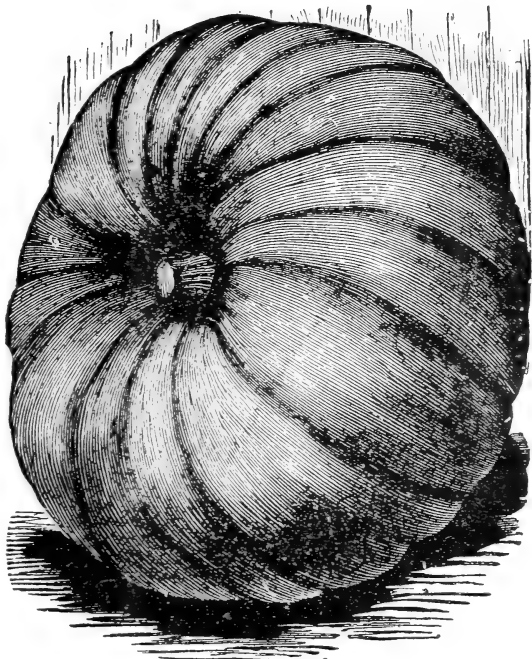
MONSTROUS CARENTAN, or SCOTCH CHAMPION. A very choice variety of extra large size, rapid growth, and very hardy. The leaves are fan-shape, of a dark green color; the edible stem is six to eight inches long and three inches in diameter. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 15 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 40 cts.; per lb., \$1.25.

HORSE RADISH.

The best is grown by planting small lengths of roots, called "sets," and not from the crowns. These "sets," planted in May, small end down, with the top one to one and a half inches below the surface, in rich, well-cultivated soil, will form radish of large size and superior quality in one season's growth. Before planting, the top of the set should be cut off slantingly, so as to prevent decay from water resting on the top. The large roots will be ready to pull in October, and from these large roots a supply of sets can be cut off for the next spring's planting. It is customary to gather the crop of roots in October and keep them in trenches, ready to market as opportunity offers during the winter. If grown only for family use however, it is better to pull the roots just as wanted during the winter, as they will then keep their strong flavor as well as their aroma better. Small roots, 8 for 20 cts.; 25 cts. per doz., or 90 cts. per 100, by mail, postpaid. Write for *special low prices by the thousand*.

NEW JAPANESE BUCKWHEAT.

This is the most productive of all Buckwheat and decidedly the most profitable variety to raise. Sown the same day as the *Silver Hull*, it ripened a week earlier and yielded almost as much again. From **ONE GRAIN** planted in a garden the product was **850 RIPE KERNELS**. The kernels are at least twice the size of those of any other variety; in color they are also distinct, being of a rich, dark shade of brown. The flower made from it is equal in quality to that of any other Buckwheat, while it is *much more productive*, and succeeds well as far north as New Hampshire. As the straw is heavier and it branches more, it does not need to be sown so thickly as other kinds. Per pkt., 10 cts.; per lb., 20 cts.; 3 lbs. for 35 cts., postpaid, by mail. By express: Per pk., 25 cts.; per bushel, 90 cts.; per sack of 2 bushels \$1.60.



THE GENUINE MAMMOTH PUMPKIN.

"SOJA BEAN" (Coffee Berry).—During recent years this variety has been largely sold under the name of **German Coffee Berry** at extravagantly high prices, but we prefer to offer it under its correct name. The berries ripen in about four months from time of planting, and produce a crop of twenty to thirty bushels to the acre, and are as easily grown as other beans. When roasted and ground it *closely resembles coffee and tastes quite similar*. Some mix half and half with coffee when using and claim it is superior. Its great value to the farmer lays in the fact that when ground it *makes one of the most valuable crops for feeding stock and adds greatly to the milk production*. Claimed also to be much superior to clover for fertilizing the soil and for pasturing, or feeding the green fodder, of which it frequently yields eight to ten tons per acre. Sow broadcast one-half bushel to the acre, or it may be planted in drills three feet apart and one foot between plants. Per pkt., 5 cts.; $\frac{1}{2}$ lb., 15 cts.; lb., 25 cts., postpaid.

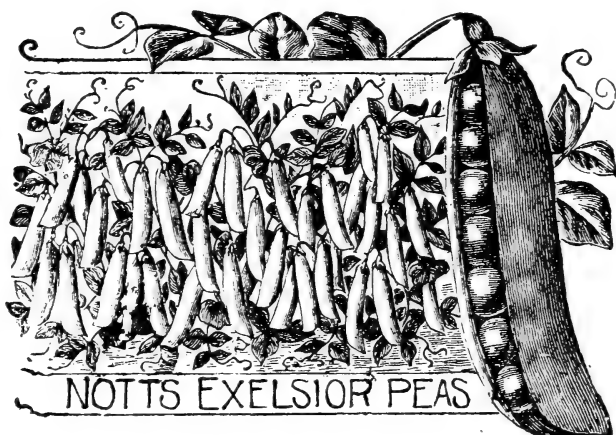
MAMMOTH RUSSIAN SUNFLOWER.—Single heads measure twelve to twenty-two inches in diameter, and contain an immense quantity of seed, which is valued by all farmers who have tried it as an excellent and cheap food for fowls. It is the best egg-producing food known for poultry. Every farmer should plant some of the seed in any waste piece of ground, any time from early spring up to the middle of July. It is a wonderful improvement on the old native sunflower. Four quarts of seed will plant an acre. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 6 cts.; pt., 15 cts.; per qt., 25 cts.; 2 qts., 40 cts.; by mail, postpaid. By express, or freight: Per qt., 10 cts.; 2 qts., 18 cts.; 4 qts., 32 cts.; pk., 50 cts.; per bushel, \$1.75.

KAFFIR CORN.—The heads are long and perfectly erect, well filled with white grain, flecked with reddish brown spots. The average height of growth on good strong land is five and one-half to six feet. The seed heads grow from ten to twelve inches in length, and the product of grain on good land easily reaches fifty to sixty bushels per acre. The whole stalk as well as the blades, cures into excellent fodder. Per pkt., 5 cts.; per lb., 20 cts., postpaid, or 10 cts. by express.

I will give away for trial this spring 500,000 packets of Garden and Flower Seeds. See "Free Seed Distribution," cover page of catalogue.

HAMMOND'S NORTHERN GROWN SEED PEAS

I am not only the *Largest Grower of Seed Potatoes and Farm Seeds* in America, but also grow *More Seed Peas* for the Wholesale and Retail Trade than any other one grower in America. I grow several thousand bushels each year for the leading Philadelphia seedsmen and other seedsmen throughout America, besides several thousand bushels for my retail trade. Grown in the *far north* on the Lake borders, from *selected hand picked stock*, my peas give the best of satisfaction everywhere. I can sell you the *Best Peas* that grow at lower prices than any other reliable Seedsman.



NOTT'S EXCELSIOR.

The Earliest and Best Extra Early Dwarf Wrinkled Pea. This is a fine new **Extra Early Dwarf Green Wrinkled Pea**. In earliness it equals American Wonder; in height, about 15 inches; in quality equal to Premium Gem, and as a cropper it excels either. In a comparative test, with above side by side, the **Nott's Excelsior** yielded *one-quarter* more pods by measure, and by *weight one-third* more, which shows conclusively that the pods of **Nott's Excelsior** are more compactly filled with peas; a great yielder, because it can be planted so much closer than tall-growing sorts.

Prices: Nott's Excelsior Peas, Pkt., 10 cts.; pint, 20 cts.; quart, 35 cts., postpaid; 1-2 peck, 50 cts.; peck, 90 cts.; 1-2 bushel, \$1.60; bushel, \$3.00.
Prices of Juno and Shropshire Hero same as Nott's Excelsior.

NEW PEAS. JUNO.

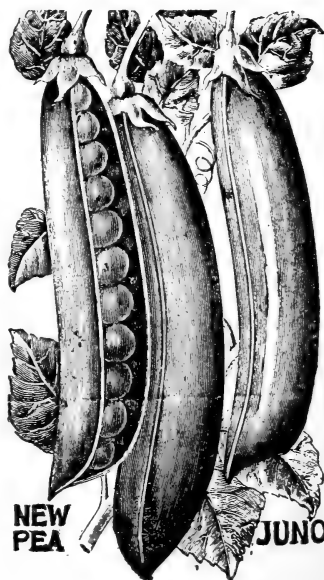
A magnificent cropper. Well filled pods, large handsome unequaled quality, medium early, wrinkled, semi-dwarf. Grows two feet in height requiring little or no brushing. It produces an abundance of the finest peas possible, the vines being actually laden with pods. These are stout and heavy in form, very little curved, dark green, usually growing in pairs, containing from seven to nine peas of the finest quality, which so thoroughly fill the pod as to make it almost cylindrical in shape. The peas, too, possess the admirable merit of preserving their tenderness and superb flavor long after they are young, and also retain their attractive dark green color when served at table. (See cut.)

Prices same as Nott's Excelsior.

SHROPSHIRE HERO.

No late pea has pleased me so much in years as this variety. In my own trial grounds, it has equaled and surpassed any other main crop sort, among a test of 150 to 200 different varieties. The following received from one of the largest and most successful pea growers in Northern New York, describes Shropshire Hero:

"Shropshire Hero is very prolific, and very true to its type. The quality is exceptionally good, the pods large and well filled and easily opened. In early ripening it is about like Champion of England and Yorkshire Hero. It has been much more prolific with us than White Marrowfat, and as soon as there are enough to supply the trade, think they are likely to take the place of White Marrowfats in canners' trade." There is no question but that Shropshire Hero is bound to take the place of many sorts now favorably known to the American market and home gardener; grows about 2½ feet, is a second early, and produces wonderfully well filled, long, handsome pods in great abundance. Peas at the same time are of unusually large size and delicious flavor. With Nott's Excelsior for extra early, Juno for medium and Shropshire Hero for late, you have the three best varieties of peas for the home garden or market. Same prices as Nott's Excelsior.



PEAS—Extra Early Varieties.

Those marked with a (*) are wrinkled varieties.

Prices of all varieties of Peas on this page: Per packet, 5 cents; pint, 15 cents; quart, 28 cents; by mail, postpaid. By express or freight: Pint, 10 cents; quart, 15 cents; half peck, 45 cents; peck, 75 cents; half bushel, \$1.40; bushel, \$2.50.

Maule's Earliest of All,
Henderson's First of All,
Extra Early Market Garden,
Philadelphia Extra Early,
First and Best,
Rural New Yorker,
Improved Daniel O'Rourke,

Early Hancock,
Maud S.,
Vick's Extra Early,
Early Kent,
Burpee's Best Extra Early,
First in Market.

The above thirteen varieties of early round White Peas are nearly identical with each other. They are all improved strains of the well-known Philadelphia Extra Early. I have carefully grown selected stocks of all the above varieties, which are equal and often superior to any obtainable.

* **AMERICAN WONDER.** This distinct and fine flavored variety grows only eight to ten inches high, and is extremely early.

* **MCLEAN'S LITTLE GEM.** Truly a gem! Productive, wrinkled, and of delicious flavor. Matures in fifty-four days; no sticks required.

* **EXTRA EARLY PREMIUM GEM.** A very fine Dwarf Pea, of the Little Gem type, on which it is an improvement; larger pods and more productive. Highly recommended. Taken all-in-all this is probably the best and most profitable Early Wrinkled Pea for market gardeners, while for family gardens there is none better.

* **NEW PEA—WILLIAM HURST.** The peas were ready for the table June 28th, as early as the American Wonder, while the vines were much more productive, and it comes very near to being a "one-picking variety." Of handsome dwarf growth, the vines are eight to ten inches high, foliage of dark green color, haulms close jointed, and very prolific. The pods are well filled with large peas, each containing six to eight, so closely packed that the peas are flattened against each other. Quality the very best; most delicious. See illustration.

PEAS for General Crop.

* **HEROINE.** This is a medium Early Wrinkled Pea of robust growth, uniformly about two and a half feet high; fine for the home garden. It produces abundantly long, pointed, well-filled pods, which contain from eight to nine large peas of exquisite flavor.

* **CHAMPION OF ENGLAND.** Undoubtedly one of the best Peas grown, and very popular. It is very productive, and the peas are of a delicious flavor; height four to five feet.

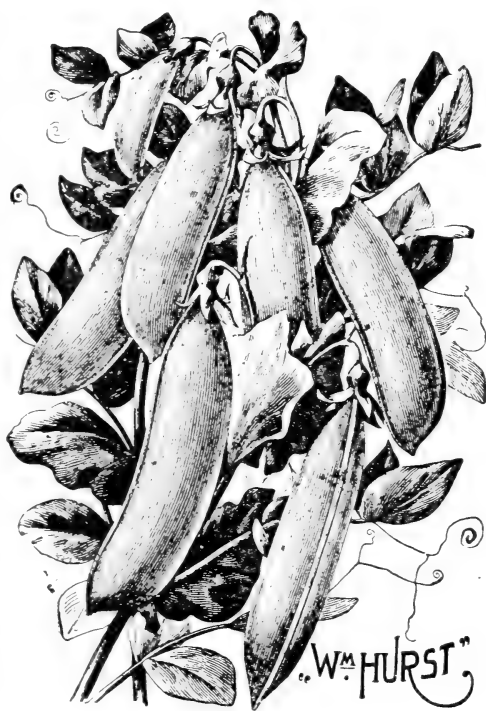
* **BLISS'S EVER-BEARING.** Height of vine, two feet; pods three to four inches long; peas very large; quality very fine. Its growth is of a branching character, forming as many as ten stalks from a single root stalk.

* **BLISS'S ABUNDANCE.** Plant eighteen inches high; foliage large, thick, and dark green. Pods three to three and a half inches long, roundish, and well filled, containing six to eight large wrinkled peas.

* **STRATAGEM.** The strong, sturdy haulm is literally covered with immense pods, many of the pods measuring nearly five and a half inches in length, and containing as high as ten large, fine flavored wrinkled peas.

* **TELEPHONE.** Of excellent, sugary flavor; vines very strong; the pods are of large size, with six or seven large, delicious peas; height, four feet.

* **LAXTON'S EVOLUTION PEA.** The vines are of strong, sturdy growth, three to three and a half feet high, of a decidedly branching character, and bear continuously an abundant crop of magnificent large pods, each containing eight to twelve wrinkled peas, of remarkable size and



very rich and sugary flavor. It has been appropriately termed "The Everlasting Bearer," as from a single sowing it continues to bear as long as three months.

* **YORKSHIRE HERO.** Long, round pods, closely filled with large, luscious, wrinkled peas; very productive. Well worthy of general cultivation: of similar type to the well-known *Champion of England*; in many sections it is a better and more productive Pea.

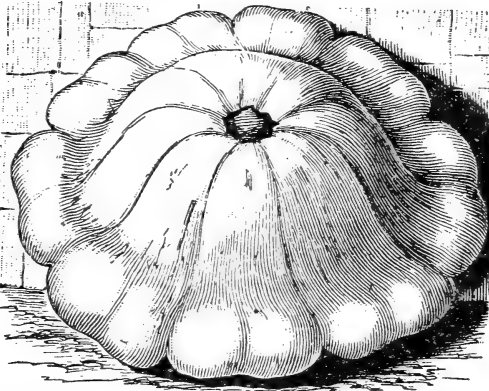
* I can supply the following well-known varieties of Peas. Price of each same as prices on all other varieties on this page as quoted above.

Chelsea,
Admiral,
Advancer,
Fillbasket,
Pride of the Market,
The Queen,
Sander's Marrow.

American Champion,
Burpee's Quantity,
Burpee's Quality,
Burpee's Pofusion,
Carter's Daisy,
Duke of Albany,
Perpetual Early Prize.

SQUASHES.

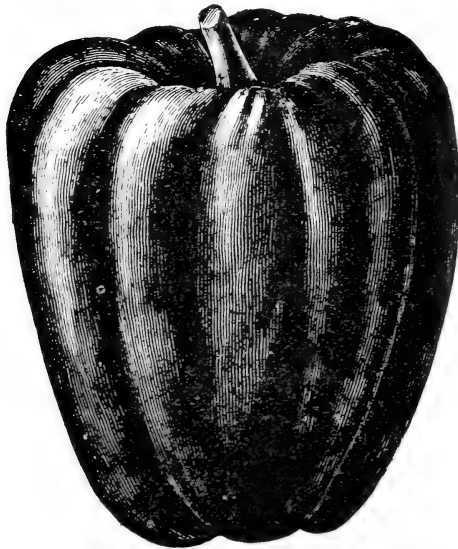
The prices quoted are for seeds postpaid by mail. If ordered by express or freight, at expense of purchaser, deduct 8 cts. per lb.



NEW MAMMOTH WHITE BUSH, Scalloped or Improved Patty-Pan Squash. The great improvement has been effected by careful selection, so that the squashes are now very uniform in shape and wonderfully prolific. They are fit to use very early, are of a beautiful white color, and grow to a large size—12 to 15 inches across. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 7 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 12 cts.; lb., 35 cts.

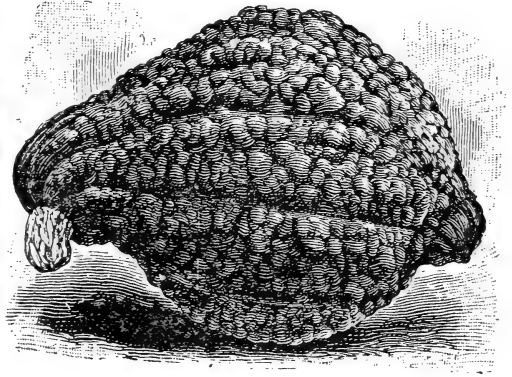
FORDHOOK. Bright yellow outside and straw-yellow within. The flesh is dry and sweet—the best in quality of all winter squashes. It seems incapable of rotting, and keeps in perfect condition until late in June. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 7 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 12 cts.; lb., 35 cts.

PIKE'S PEAK or SIBLEY. Shell smooth, thin and of a pale green color; the flesh is thick, solid, deep orange color, very dry, fine grained and delicate flavor. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 7 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 12 cts.; lb., 35 cts.



RUBY KING PEPPER. *One-fourth natural size.*

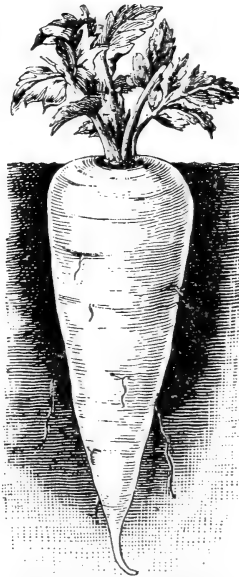
HAMMOND'S RUBY KING. This magnificent variety is the best mild red pepper for market or family use. The large, handsome fruits, of a bright ruby red color, grow $\frac{1}{2}$ to 6 inches long by $3\frac{1}{2}$ to $4\frac{1}{4}$ inches through. Added to their beautiful color, when ripe, is the great desideratum that they are *remarkably mild and pleasant to the taste*; most excellent for stuffing or for pepper-hash. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 15 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 40 cts.; lb., \$1.50. As the Ruby King is the best variety of peppers that grow, I offer only this.



CHICAGO WARTED HUBBARD SQUASH.

CHICAGO WARTED HUBBARD. Our select strain of the ever-popular old Hubbard Squash is most excellent, the Chicago growers seem to have now produced "*An Ideal Hubbard*." "A Hubbard Squash, large, blackish-green, hard as wood, with warty knobs all over it, satisfies even the inexperienced observer that it is the best of its class, rich in quality, a keeper and thick-fleshed—such as will sell at sight." Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 10 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 15 cts.; lb., 45 cts.

NEW GIANT SUMMER CROOKNECK. This new strain is even earlier than the common variety, while the squashes grow to an extra large size, measuring from 18 inches to 2 feet long, and of *finest quality*. Their handsome appearance commands an extra price on the market, so that one grower reports having sold \$130.00 worth of squashes from about one-sixth of an acre. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 7 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 12 cts.; per lb., 35 cts., postpaid.



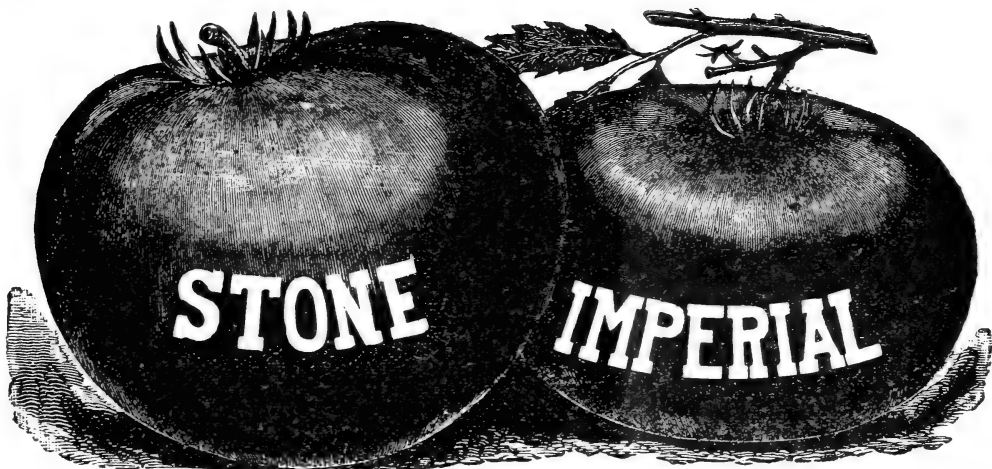
IMPROVED GUERNSEY PARSNIP.

PARSNIP.

IMPROVED GUERNSEY. This is not the coarse Stock Guernsey, but the table variety of that name, the sweetest, finest grained Parsnip grown, and a heavy cropper. Smooth, thick roots, about 12 inches long. Very fine stewed, fried, etc. Pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 7 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 10 cts.; lb., 30 cts. Postpaid.

IMPROVED LONG SMOOTH HOLLOW CROWN. An old standard variety, of fine quality, with very long roots. Pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 7 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 10 cts.; lb., 30 cts.

* I am determined to introduce Hammond's Seed Potatoes, Farm, Vegetable and Flower Seeds everywhere this Spring. And in my Free Seed Distribution I make the most liberal offer ever made by any American seedsman.*



Prices of all varieties of Tomatoes on this page, unless otherwise quoted: Pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 12 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 40 cts.; $\frac{1}{2}$ lb., 70 cts.; lb., \$1.00. By mail postpaid. Deduct 8 cts. per lb. if ordered by express.

MAULE'S NEW IMPERIAL TOMATO. I claim and believe that this is the earliest perfectly smooth tomato in cultivation, and that it will produce more and better fruit than any variety known. It not only produces the earliest, but it will hold out all through the season until killed by frost. It also proves to be the longest keeper. My field of these tomatoes has been the wonder of all who have seen it, and with good reason, for I believe that there never were so many tomatoes ever grown before on the same amount of ground. Every market or private gardener will surely make a tremendous mistake if they do not include Maule's New Imperial Tomato in their order this season.

STONE. Very large, and of bright scarlet color; smooth; ripening evenly to the stem without a crack; exceedingly solid; is an excellent shipper; quality is of the best; fine for canning; a good keeper; without hard core; not subject to rot; its vines heavily loaded with uniform specimens of fruit.

FORDHOOK FIRST. A smooth, round tomato, red and purple, nearly uniform in size and shape. The yield was remarkably large and suffered nothing from rot. The plants are vigorous but not rampant, with medium-sized foliage. A very good, all-around tomato.

MAULE'S EARLIEST. One of the earliest of all; not only ripens its first fruits but a large proportion of the crop earlier than most any other sort: quite valuable to all with whom earliness is the main object desired.

HENDERSON'S CRIMSON CUSHION. Another new Tomato introduced by our friends Henderson & Co. It is not as long as the Ponderosa, but is much thicker through from stem to blossom end. It is an enormous producer and early. Pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 20c.

IGNOTUM. Very desirable, large, smooth, red Tomato. One of the main crop varieties, but comparing favorably in uniformly large size, bright color and smoothness to either the Royal Red or Stone.

TROPHY. One of the best. Fruit large and smooth, of bright red color, solid and good flavor. We have expended much labor on its improvement.

EARLY ACME. Selected stock. Popular both with market men and consumers. Vines large and continuing to produce abundantly until frost. Fruit round, smooth and of good size; ripens evenly.

LIVINGSTON'S BEAUTY. Tomatoes round, smooth, and of a glossy crimson color, slightly tinged with purple. Very solid, good for shipping.

DWARF CHAMPION. In form and color the fruit very closely resembles the Acme, always smooth and attractive in appearance.

LIVINGSTON'S PERFECTION. This valuable variety comes from the same source, as the Acme and Paragon. It is shaped like the Acme, larger, fully as early, perfectly smooth, blood red in color, heavy cropper.

MATCHLESS. Well worthy of its name. In beauty of color and symmetrical form it is without a peer. Very beautiful and extremely desirable. They are entirely free from core, of a rich cardinal red color. Not liable to crack or rot from wet weather.

ADVANCE. An extra early seedling from Alpha and Perfection; has ripened in ninety days; fruit smooth and round, no green core; skin smooth; very prolific; color usually red, but inclined to sport purple.

MIKADO, OR TURNER'S HYBRID. Color, a purplish red; quality good when well ripened; foliage distinct; generally quite smooth, but always some rough ones.

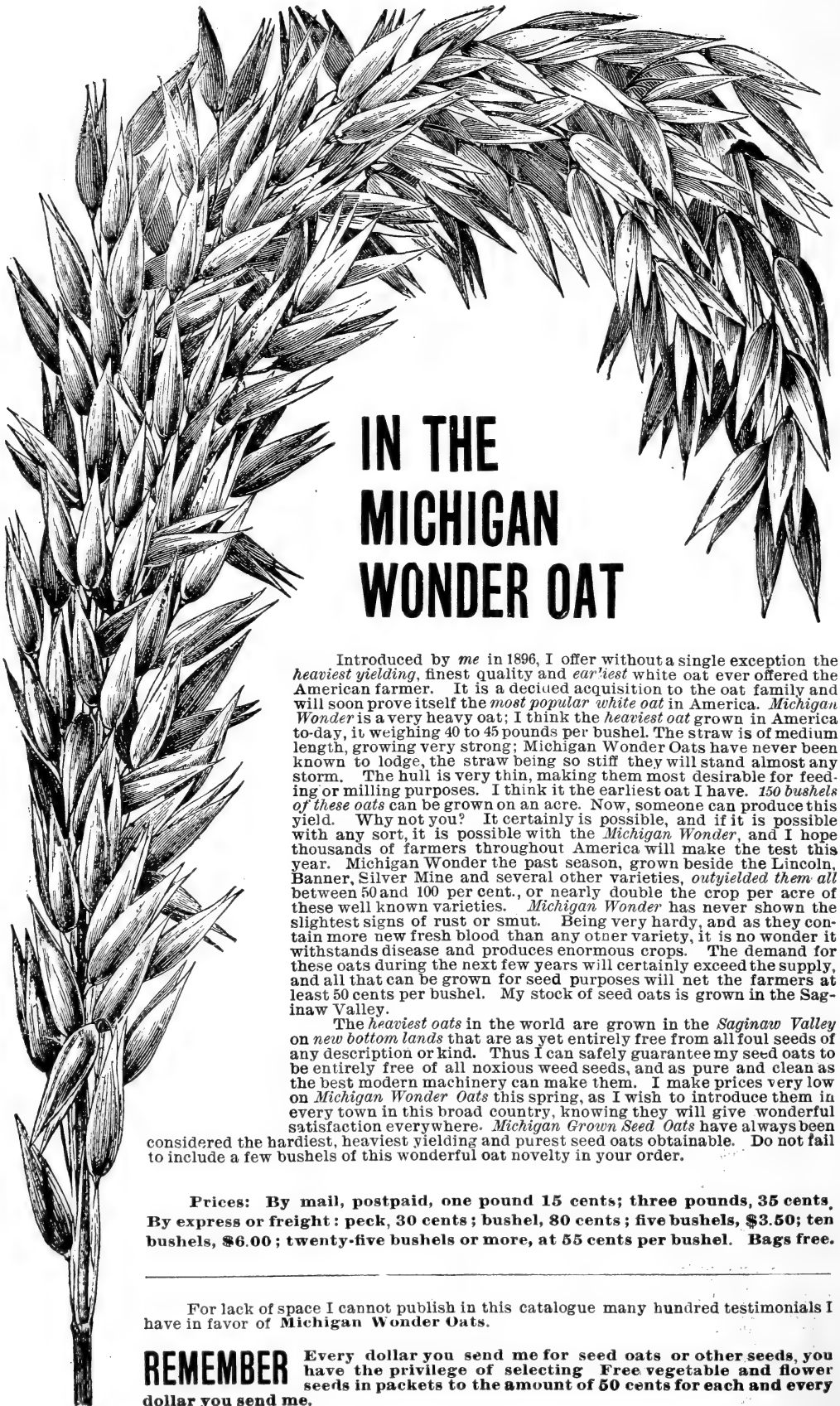
LIVINGSTON'S HONOR BRIGHT. Introduced last year by Livingston's Sons. They say of it: The vines are vigorous and bear profusely from early to late in the season, and are of a most beautiful light green color. The color of the fruit, when fully ripe, is a rich, bright red, but before reaching this stage it undergoes several changes. First it is light green, then an attractive waxy white, then lemon, changing to red. One of the most attractive and handsomest varieties grown, and well adapted for home use and market, on account of its solidity and long-keeping qualities, it is especially recommended for shipping. The skin seems to be crack-proof, as, the past season, we had two crops, one on rich, highly manured upland, the other on rich river bottom land, and not a single tomato was found with a skin-crack, even after the exceedingly heavy rains during the harvest. Pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 35 cts.

PONDEROSA, or No. 400. This monster tomato, so largely advertised, is described by the introducers as follows: "It is all solid meat, so free from seeds that we have had to pay our growers five times as much to raise seed of this as of the ordinary sorts. It is a very handsome variety, being uniformly large, smooth, of a dark, rich crimson color, and a delicious sub-acid flavor. To show the enormous size of this great tomato, we would state that twelve specimens weighed sixteen and a half pounds, an average weight of one pound six ounces each, one monster tipping the scales at 1 lb. 14 ozs." Per pkt., 5 cts.; per oz., 20 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 60 cts.

BUCKEYE STATE. A recent introduction and much liked by many who have tried it. Fruit is uniformly large, solid and ripened to the stem, and it is one of the brightest colored of the large red Tomatoes.

* I can supply the following varieties at the uniform price of—Pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 12 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 40 cts.; lb., \$1.00.
 Dwarf Aristocrat, Favorite,
 Livingston's Royal Red, Henderson's Ruby,
 Trucker's Favorite, Paragon,
 Autocrat, Atlantic Prize,
 Early Michigan, Liberty Bell,
 Optimus, Mill's Earliest Tomato
 in the World. *

Hammond's Seeds Are the BEST SEEDS That GROW.



IN THE MICHIGAN WONDER OAT

Introduced by me in 1896, I offer without a single exception the *heaviest yielding*, finest quality and *earliest* white oat ever offered the American farmer. It is a decided acquisition to the oat family and will soon prove itself the *most popular white oat* in America. *Michigan Wonder* is a very heavy oat; I think the *heaviest oat* grown in America to-day, it weighing 40 to 45 pounds per bushel. The straw is of medium length, growing very strong; Michigan Wonder Oats have never been known to lodge, the straw being so stiff they will stand almost any storm. The hull is very thin, making them most desirable for feeding or milling purposes. I think it the earliest oat I have. *150 bushels of these oats* can be grown on an acre. Now, someone can produce this yield. Why not you? It certainly is possible, and if it is possible with any sort, it is possible with the *Michigan Wonder*, and I hope thousands of farmers throughout America will make the test this year. Michigan Wonder the past season, grown beside the Lincoln, Banner, Silver Mine and several other varieties, *outyielded them all* between 50 and 100 per cent., or nearly double the crop per acre of these well known varieties. *Michigan Wonder* has never shown the slightest signs of rust or smut. Being very hardy, and as they contain more new fresh blood than any other variety, it is no wonder it withstands disease and produces enormous crops. The demand for these oats during the next few years will certainly exceed the supply, and all that can be grown for seed purposes will net the farmers at least 50 cents per bushel. My stock of seed oats is grown in the Saginaw Valley.

The *heaviest oats* in the world are grown in the *Saginaw Valley* on *new bottom lands* that are as yet entirely free from all foul seeds of any description or kind. Thus I can safely guarantee my seed oats to be entirely free of all noxious weed seeds, and as pure and clean as the best modern machinery can make them. I make prices very low on *Michigan Wonder Oats* this spring, as I wish to introduce them in every town in this broad country, knowing they will give wonderful satisfaction everywhere. *Michigan Grown Seed Oats* have always been considered the hardest, heaviest yielding and purest seed oats obtainable. Do not fail to include a few bushels of this wonderful oat novelty in your order.

Prices: By mail, postpaid, one pound 15 cents; three pounds, 35 cents. By express or freight: peck, 30 cents; bushel, 80 cents; five bushels, \$3.50; ten bushels, \$6.00; twenty-five bushels or more, at 55 cents per bushel. Bags free.

For lack of space I cannot publish in this catalogue many hundred testimonials I have in favor of *Michigan Wonder Oats*.

REMEMBER Every dollar you send me for seed oats or other seeds, you have the privilege of selecting Free vegetable and flower seeds in packets to the amount of 50 cents for each and every dollar you send me.



Yield over
100 Bus. per acre.

MORTGAGE
LIFTER OATS

MORTGAGE LIFTER OATS.

"Nothing more appropriate than *Mortgage Lifter* we think, could fill the bill as a name for this new oat. It is early, as early as any other oats in cultivation, and early oats always pay and pay big, because they are the first in the market. The straw is strong and stiff, just the kind of straw you would expect the king of all oats to have, and so far has never shown the slightest signs of rust. It is full of fresh new blood and overflowing with vigor; so strong is it that protracted droughts, heavy rains, hot winds and raw freezing weather have no effect upon its growth. Once sown it grows from start to finish, despite the elements. In these years of changeable weather, we need something we can always count on, always sure of, and if you can be sure of anything it is a crop of *Mortgage Lifter* oats. It is a very heavy oat, weighing about 50 pounds per bushel when cleaned. You may know it is a heavy oat from the fact that the 8 bushels I purchased from the introducer two years ago by weight, came in two common American seamless bags, each bag contained 4 bushels by weight and they would hold but 2 bushels of wheat. After *Michigan Wonder* I do not think there is a better oat in America to-day than *Mortgage Lifter*. Anyway it will pay you big to introduce it in your section.

By mail, postpaid, one pound 15 cts.; three pounds 35 cts. Express or freight, peck, 25 cts.; bushel, 80 cts.; five bushels, \$3.50; ten bushels, \$6.00; twenty-five bushels at 55 cts. per bushel.

THE NEW DANISH ISLAND OATS

Is a very productive late variety, with strong, stiff straw, varying in height from four to five and a half feet, with plump, thin-hulled, bright yellow grain, often three grains in a spikelet and evenly distributed over the entire head. The stalks do not lodge nor the grain fall off in stormy weather at harvest time. The straw is exceedingly strong and well bladed, and when sown thinly as many as forty stalks are produced from a single grain. This valuable new variety was introduced by W. Atlee Burpee & Co., and from severe tests throughout America has proved a valuable acquisition.

Prices same as Mortgage Lifter.

BUCKBEE'S ILLINOIS.

This grand new variety can be recommended with confidence to fulfill that which is expected of it, as it has no namesake. Very prolific, extremely hardy, makes a strong stool and grows with vigor and rapidity. The straw which is heavy and strong, stands well. Heads are compact and often measure 11 inches in length. Grain is heavy, large and plump. An exceptionally prolific variety. Prices same as Mortgage Lifter.

I can also furnish the following varieties of oats at same prices as Mortgage Lifter: Lincoln, White Maine, Salzer's Silver Mine, Welcome Oats, Golden Giant Side Oats, Great New Zealand, American Beauty, White Russian, American Banner and Bonanza.

MICHIGAN GROWN SEED CORN.

Michigan Grown Seed Corn, being Northern Grown and maturing in the shortest possible season, produces Earlier and Larger Crops than can be grown from Seed Corn from Any Other Section of America.

Hammond's American Pride Yellow Dent.

The earliest and most productive yellow dent corn yet produced. Grown on my trial grounds during the past three years, and tested beside twenty-six different varieties of dent corn, it came out ahead of all other varieties in every trial. For several years the Hathaway Yellow Dent has been the peer of all in earliness and productiveness in this state, eclipsing all other varieties brought from any other state. At last I am compelled to admit that the merits of the **American Pride Dent** should no longer be kept from the public. So careful am I in introducing any novelty, that I test it in the severest ways before offering it to my customers. I could not afford to offer a novelty that did not possess superior merit. In the **American Pride Yellow Dent**, I offer a corn not surpassed by any variety on earth. My artist has tried to faithfully portray the beauty of this grand variety and to a great extent has succeeded. The large ear is a fair representation of an ear 12 inches long, reduced in size. As my stock is small, I dare not say much about this variety, knowing as I do that my supply cannot last long, at best. Prices: Sample ear by mail, postpaid, 30 cts.; pound, 25 cts. By express or freight, $\frac{1}{4}$ peck, 30 cts.; peck, 50 cts.; bushel, \$1.50; three bushels, \$3.75. Bags Free

Hathaway's Improved Yellow Dent.

This variety of corn, after several years' trial, has become one of the leading early dent varieties. I have carefully selected this variety for a number of years, until I now think it the most reliable early dent variety grown to-day, with the exception of the **American Pride**. Hathaway is a bright yellow dent variety, deep grain and small cob. It is very early, ripens with Huron Dent, although for me it has always outyielded Huron Dent. It is a wonderful cropper, having yielded over 100 bushels of shelled corn per acre. My seed corn is carefully selected and fire dried. I have the finest stock of all varieties of seed corn I ever offered. Remember, it costs you less than **twenty cents per acre** to use my choice selected seed corn, therefore it will not pay you to plant poor seed this year. Price, bags included: Bushel, \$1.00; peck, 40 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ peck, 25 cts. Sample ear, by mail, postpaid, 20 cts.

Early Mastodon.

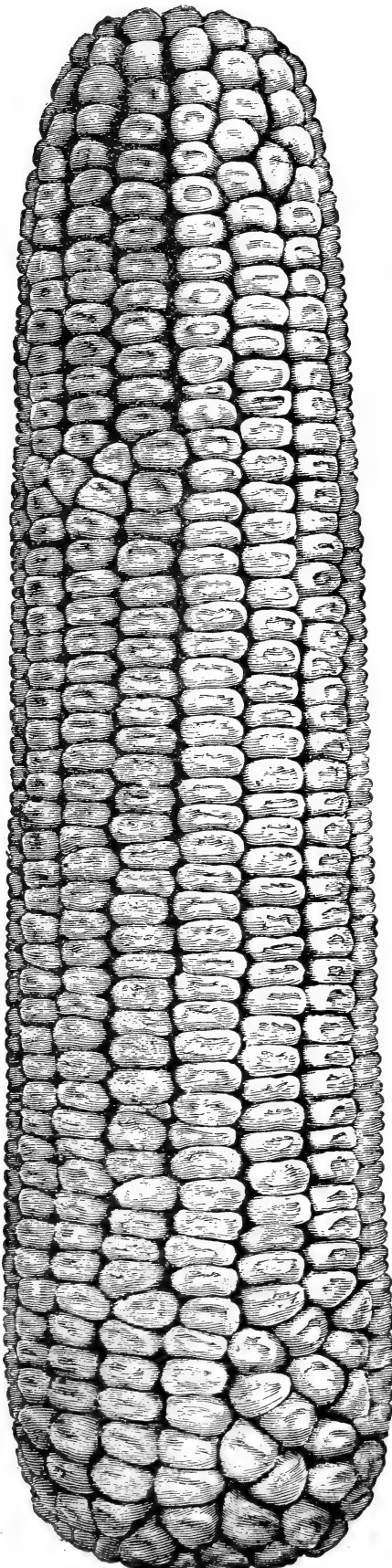
A new early dent variety, originated in Northern Ohio. The ear is **EXTRA LARGE**, with large deep grains; it grows strong, rank, quick, and makes fine appearing shelled corn—two shades of white and yellow. In the American Agriculturist corn contest of 1889 it outyielded all others, making the wonderful record of 213 bushels shelled corn to the acre. By mail, postpaid, sample ear, 20 cts; packet, 5 cts.; quart, 20 cts. By express or freight, quart, 15 cts.; peck, 30 cts.; bushel, \$1.00; five bushels, \$4.00.

Iowa Gold Mine.

"Six years ago a special premium offer brought sample ears of corn from several hundred farmers and seed growers, and from these we chose the one which was most decidedly the best, and have been selecting and improving it until it is now about as near perfection as corn can be made. It is early, ripening only a few days later than **Pride of the North**; ears are of good size and symmetrical; color a bright golden yellow, grain is very deep, cob small, and therefore dries out very quickly as soon as ripe. *Seventy pounds of ear corn makes sixty to sixty-two pounds of shelled corn*, and will grade No. 1 in any market." My own growth, choicest stock seed. Postpaid, quart, 20 cts. By freight or express, purchaser paying charges, $\frac{1}{4}$ bushel, 25 cts.; $\frac{1}{2}$ bushel, 40 cts.; $\frac{3}{4}$ bushel, 70 cts.; bushel, \$1.25; two bushel, \$2.25; ten bushel or more, \$1.00 per bushel.

Iowa "Silver Mine" Dent Corn.

The stalks grow to a height of seven or eight feet and set the ears about $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 feet from the ground. The ears measure from 10 to 12 inches in length and often weigh $1\frac{1}{2}$ pounds. They are very uniform in size and shape, with 16 to 20 straight rows of deep, pure white kernels on a small white cob. It matures in about 100 days, being about two weeks earlier than **Champion White Pearl**. *It is the heaviest yielder we know*, having yielded over 200 bushels to the acre. Seventy pounds of ears will make sixty-two pounds of corn. It is entirely distinct, and will give satisfaction. Price, shelled, bushel, \$1.25; peck, 40 cts.; $\frac{1}{2}$ peck, 25 cts. Prepaid, packet, 10 cts.; pound, 20 cts.



AMERICAN PRIDE.

Thoroughbred FIELD CORN.

The well-known varieties described briefly below have been grown specially for seed, well cured and true to name. I sell the best seed of each variety at the following prices: Per pkt., 5 cts.; per lb., 20 cts.; 3 lbs. for 40 cts.; by mail. By express or freight: Peck, 30 cts.; per bushel, \$1.00; per sack of two bushels, \$1.80; ten bushels or more at 80 cts. per bushel. Sacks included; delivered f. o. b. cars at Decatur.

WHITE CAP DENT. See illustration. This famous new variety possesses the earliness of the *Pride of the North*, combined with ears of very large size. My grower says he will guarantee this Corn to mature in ninety to ninety-five days after planting and to grow a larger crop on poor soil than any other Corn in the world. The handsome grains are of the true Dent type—sweet and nutritious. Grows six to seven feet in height; abundant foliage; large, fine ear, eight to ten inches long, well filled to the tip, sixteen to eighteen rowed; ears two inches in diameter, with small cob; grains large, deep; outer end of the grain white, dented, balance of grain amber-yellow. Grains flat and set squarely together, filling the entire surface of the ear.

WATERLOO EXTRA EARLY DENT. This valuable New Early Dent Corn was discovered in Nebraska, where it was brought by an emigrant fifteen years ago, who says of it: "First, it is a ninety-day Corn, and when *Pride of the North* is ready to husk I am always ready to go at my crop. Second, it yields more shelled corn to the bushel (seventy pounds of ears) than any other variety, excepting *Pride of the North*, but it should not be compared with that sort, because it will outyield it by thirty bushels per acre. I never sell any Waterloo Corn on the ear, because elevators take seventy pounds of ears for fifty-six pounds of corn, and my corn will shell sixty pounds every time."

BURPEE'S GOLDEN BEAUTY CORN. The productiveness of the Golden Beauty is due to the economical shape of the ears and the fact that a large proportion of the stalks produce two fine ears. The ears are of perfect shape, with ten to fourteen straight rows of brightest golden-yellow grains, of remarkable size, and completely filled out to the extreme end of cob. The cobs are unusually small; when broken in half, the grains will generally reach across. The richness of color and fine quality of grain make it very superior for grinding into meal.

LEAMING IMPROVED DENT. Ears of good size, set low down, and nearly always two good ears to each stalk; small, red cob, with deep grains, of a rich golden color. It withstands severe drought by reason of its earliness in maturing, strong and vigorous growth, and its stocky and leafy nature.

KING OF THE EARLIES. The originator says: "This is the earliest and finest Dent Corn—bright orange color, short, leafy stalks, medium-sized ears, small, red cobs, deep grains. Adapted for planting in high latitudes, and will mature a crop farther north than any other known variety; will sell easier and can be husked earlier than any other known variety."

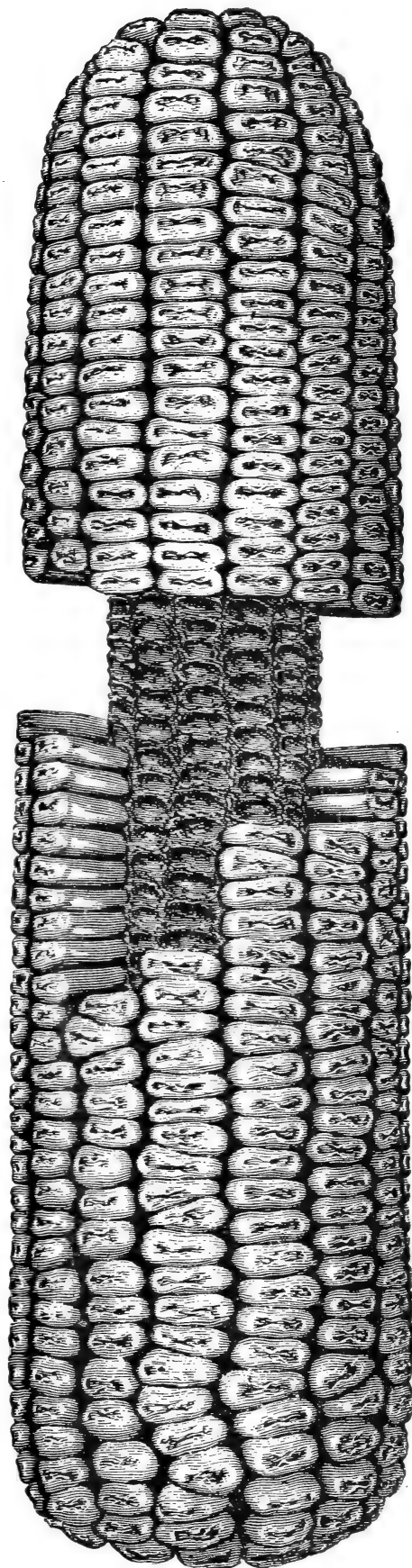
PRIDE OF THE NORTH. Planted as late as July 4th, it has matured fully by October 1st. The ears have from fourteen to sixteen rows, and are eight to ten inches in length, slightly tapering. The kernels are set closely together on the cob; stalks usually grow six to eight feet in height.

SUGAR CORN, for Green Fodder. This is better than any field corn for green fodder crops, from the fact that it is so very sweet and nutritious that cattle will eat every part, both of the stalks and leaves. Prices same as quoted for Field Corn at top of page.

POP CORN FOR THE BOYS.

RED BEAUTY. A new variety of extreme beauty. The grains are a handsome dark red, of great depth, and in shape very much like the well known white rice. It is exceedingly early and very productive, 50 bushels per acre being a common yield. Very sweet, crisp and tender, and ready for popping four months from planting. Packet, 5 cts.; pint, 20 cts.; quart, 35 cts.; postpaid.

MONARCH WHITE RICE. Every grower of Pop Corn is acquainted with White Rice. This is an improvement on the old variety, ears being much larger and produced in greater abundance. Six ears on a stalk being a frequent occurrence. Grains are sharply pointed and most excellent for popping. Packet, 5 cts.; pint, 18 cts.; quart, 30 cts.; postpaid; 15 cts. a quart by express



WHITE CAP DENT.



MAMMOTH WHITE FRENCH ARTICHOKE.

The Greatest Food for Hogs. Yields 600 to 1000 Bushels per Acre.

The wonderful productiveness and ease with which these *Artichokes* can be produced is always a surprise to those who cultivate them for the first time. They are an *excellent food* for cattle, sheep and horses, and the cheapest and *healthiest* hog food raised, one acre being equal to five acres of corn for building up large, healthy frames with plenty of bone and muscle. They not only grow rapidly but fatten on them, only requiring corn for a short time in the finishing process. The hogs harvest them themselves, thus saving all expense, even that of feeding. Freezing and thawing does not injure them, and the hogs will feed themselves from Oct. 1st, in this latitude, until the late spring when grass has come, except when the ground has frozen solid. Also they are a *certain preventive of diseases*. We have never known hogs fed on artichokes to die with *cholera*, while herds around them died by the score. No farmer can do better than plant a piece of ground to *artichokes* without delay. On good corn land they produce from 600 to 1000 bushels per acre, and do not fail in dry seasons. The tops, which are produced in immense quantity, make excellent food for horses, cattle, sheep and mules, when properly cured. To destroy them plow under when they have attained a foot in height. These are much easier destroyed than the wild variety. Prices by mail, postpaid, 1 lb, 20 cts; 4 lbs, 45 cts. Freight or express, peck, 30 cts; bu. \$1; barrel, \$2.25; 3 barrels, \$6.

HAMMOND'S EXTRA CLEAN GRASS SEEDS.

In the following list we have described briefly the best grasses for general use. Our limited space does not permit extended descriptions and illustrations, but the seeds are of *best grades only and extra clean*—entirely free from all noxious and foreign seeds. The prices are subject to variance according to the market. *Special prices will be quoted at any time, by mail. At prices per pound quoted below, we send seed by mail, postpaid; larger quantities by freight or express at purchaser's expense.*

CLOVERS.

Write for samples and special prices when you are in the market to buy in large quantities. I can save you money on every deal.

CRIMSON OR SCARLET. Highly recommended for improvement of the soil, and is one of the best for hay and forage. Can be sown at any time during the summer. Postpaid, 1b 20c. At buyer's expense, by freight or express, ½ bu., 70c; ¼ bu., \$1.00; ½ bu., \$2.00; bu., \$3.00.

ALSIKE. Hardy, fine for pastures, sweet and makes grand honey. Postpaid, 1b., 20c. At buyer's expense by freight or express, ½ bu., 90c.; ¼ bu., \$1.70; ½ bu., \$3.20; bu., \$5.40.

MEDIUM RED. The standard variety forage and pasture. Postpaid, 1b., 20 cts. Market price for best quality seed. Write for quotations.

MAMMOTH RED. Nearly identical to above, except that it grows larger. Postpaid 1b., 20c. Market price for best quality of seed. Write for quotations.

ALFALFA OR LUCERNE. Fine forage for a high, dry soil. It roots deep. Postpaid, 1b., 20c. At buyer's expense by freight or express; ½ bu., 75c; ¼ bu., \$1.40; ½ bu., \$2.60; bu., \$5.

GRASS MIXTURE. (For Permanent Pasture.) Contains, blended in proper proportions for the purpose the following grasses: Orchard Grass, Sheep's Fescue, Meadow Fescue, Hard Fescue, Canadian Blue, Sweet Vernal, Meadow Foxtail, Tall Meadow Oat, Red Top, Kentucky Blue, Italian Rye Grass, Perennial Rye Grass, Rhode Island Bent, Timothy, Wood Meadow, Rough-Staked Meadow, Alsike Clover, White Clover, Mammoth Clover, Bush, &c.

KENTUCKY BLUE GRASS. (Fancy triple cleaned.) Valuable for pasture when mixed with other varieties. Qt., 15c; bu., 14 lbs, \$1.75; 5 bu and over, \$1.65 per bu.

ORCHARD GRASS. One of the most desirable pasture grasses. Qt., 15c; bu., 12 lbs, about \$2.

TIMOTHY. Qt., 20c; bu., 45 lbs. Market price for best Michigan seed. Write for quotations.

GERMAN OR GOLDEN MILLET. This is the best variety of millet grown and one of the best forage plants. Well adapted to any kind of soil. Cows, horses and other farm stock are exceedingly fond of it, eating it with much relish. Pound, postpaid, 15 cts. By express or freight, peck, 30 cts; bu., 75 cts; 5 bu., \$3.25.

HUNGARIAN MILLET. Valuable soiling plant. Grows on light soil, stands heat and drouth. 1b., 20 cts; 3 lbs., 50 cts, postpaid. By express or freight, peck, 40 cts; bu., \$1.

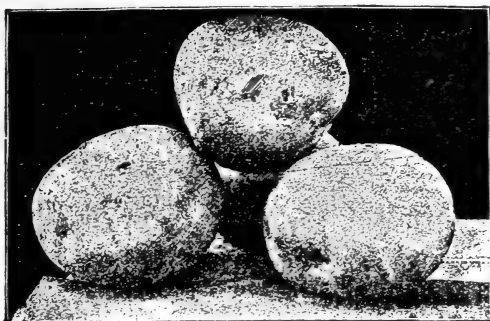
M. EX-LAWN GRASS. I have taken unusual pains with my Lawn Grass Mixture, selecting nothing but the most desirable grasses, that will give a luxuriant growth, Spring, Summer and Autumn, always presenting the same green velvety appearance. With the ground carefully prepared, graded and rolled, seed sown at the rate of 4 bushels per acre, and the lawn then frequently mown and rolled, it is within the reach of everyone, at a trifling expense to have as fine a lawn as one desires. Quart, 20 cts.; 2 quarts, 30 cts, postpaid. By express or freight, peck, \$1.25; bu., \$4; 4 bu., \$15.

RAPE, Dwarf Essex. Valuable forage plant; 1b., 20 cts., postpaid; 10 to 100 lbs. 10c per lb. I will be pleased to quote special low prices on any other varieties of grass seed that you may need.

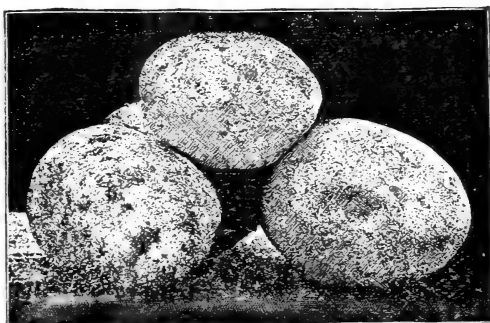
New Customers: As this catalogue will reach many who have never had my seeds, I would urge such to send me a trial order, no matter how small; even though you may now be satisfied with seeds bought elsewhere.

WONDERFUL DISCOVERY FOR POTATO SCAB. — Hammond's Corrosive Sublimate Compound.

Potato Scab can be prevented and the value of the crop doubled, at an expense not exceeding ten cents per acre. **DON'T FAIL TO TRY IT.**



GROWN FROM TREATED SEED.



GROWN FROM UNTREATED SEED.

This compound for prevention of potato scab, I discovered a few years ago. I learned that by the admixture of two drugs with corrosive sublimate, a compound thus made would not only prevent potato scab and make a more salable potato, but within proper limits, an increased yield. Not only is the total yield increased by this treatment, but reports have been received of gains of one hundred bushels of marketable potatoes per acre. The expense should not exceed ten cents per acre, and in seasons when the disease is troublesome, the value of the crop can often be doubled, as with proper precautions, even when scabby seed is used, **potatoes will be free from scab**, if the directions are followed. Directions sent with each package.

Prices: By mail, postpaid, two ounce package, 30 cts.; four ounces, 50 cts.; one-half pound, \$1.00; pound, \$1.75. Not prepaid, when sent with other seeds, two ounces, 25 cts.; four ounces, 45 cts.; one-half pound, 85 cts.; pound, \$1.60.

HAMMOND'S HOME GROWN VEGETABLE PLANTS.

☞ Plants are one of my greatest specialties. My sales of Celery Plants alone last year exceeded 1,000,000 plants.

Well grown and lightly packed to carry long distances. They can be shipped fresh, well packed at the beds, on a day's notice.

Plants quoted "by mail" are sent at our expense; "by express" at the purchaser's. By our system of packing they are sure to arrive in good condition when shipped to any part of the U. S. No charges for either packing or boxes. Plants from hotbed or cold frame are ready during April or May; outdoor grown during June and until the middle of July. We sell 500 at the 1,000 rate.

CABBAGE PLANTS—Early Varieties. Ready April 10th. All early varieties described in this catalogue: By mail, 100, 75 cts.; by express, 100, 50 cts.; 1,000, \$3.50.

CABBAGE PLANTS—Late Varieties. Ready June 1st. All late varieties described in this Catalogue: By mail, 100, 75 cts.; by express, 100, 40 cts.; 1,000, \$2.00.

CAULIFLOWER PLANTS. Ready May 1st. All varieties described in this Catalogue: By mail, doz., 25 cts.; 100, \$1.25; by express, 100, \$1.00; 1,000, \$7.00.

CELERY PLANTS—Early Hotbed. Ready May 1st.

WHITE PLUME.

GOLDEN SELF BLANCHING.

CELERY PLANTS—Cold Ground.

WHITE PLUME.

GOLDEN SELF BLANCHING.

PINK PLUME.

PERFECTION.

GIANT PASCAL.

EGG PLANTS. Ready May 1st. New York Improved. By mail, doz., 25 cts.; 100, \$1.25; by express, 100, \$1.00.

PEPPER PLANTS. Ready May 1st. Ruby King. By mail, doz., 25 cts.; 100, \$1.00; by express, 100, 75 cts.

TOMATO PLANTS. Ready May 1st. Strong, transplanted plants. All varieties described in this Catalogue: By mail, doz., 25 cts.; 100, \$1.60; by express, 100, 75 cts., 1,000, \$5.00. Not transplanted, \$3.00 per thousand.

I grow plants from my own stock seed of all varieties listed in this Catalogue. I can save you money whether you want 1,000 or 100,000. I have two experienced gardeners that give their entire attention to growing my plants.

Write for our Special Midsummer Plant List, which gives prices of Late Cabbage, Celery, etc., etc. Issued in June.

HAMMOND'S SELECT FLOWER SEEDS.

"The Best and Nothing but the Best" is my motto in Flower Seeds as well as all other Seeds I offer in this catalogue. The following described varieties comprise the leading flowers grown from seed. All the varieties I offer are annuals and bloom the first season from seed with the exception of three or four perennials. I offer you only the cream of the Flower Kingdom—all the best, most popular flowers and all that are worthy of cultivation. Some seedsmen offer many other varieties, but they are sorts that require an expert to grow. Instead of devoting ten to thirty pages to flowers, I have condensed the list in three pages, and by this saving I am able to offer the *Best Flower Seeds* that grow, in large size packets, at 5 cents per packet; most seedsmen sell the choice varieties I offer at 10 cents per packet. My Flower seeds are of unexcelled quality and far superior to those offered at low prices in cheap newspaper offers and by unreliable seedsmen that put up cheap flower seeds with few in a packet, for the occasion.

I know my Flower Seeds are the *Best that Grow*, and to introduce them everywhere I make the same liberal offer as on vegetable seeds, namely: That for every dollar you send me for Seeds of any kind in this catalogue you are entitled to select Flower Seeds in packets, free, to amount of 50 cents for each and every dollar you send me. Or, send me \$1.00 and select Flower Seeds in packets to amount of \$1.50.

AGERATUM. Fine for garden, or winter blooming in the house. All choicest colors, mixed. Packet, 5 cts.

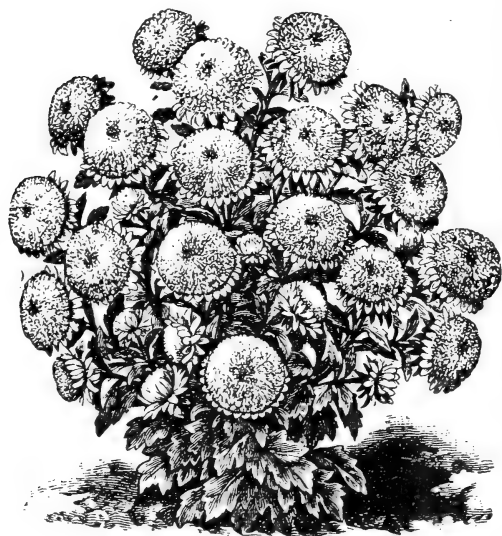
ABUTILON. Flowering Maple on Chinese Bell flower. Universally admired. Easily grown. Royal prize mixed, elegant colors. Packet, 5 cts.

AMARANTHUS. Choicest colors, mixed. Packet, 5 cts.

SWEET ALYSSUM. White, in clusters. Beautiful for borders. Packet, 5 cts.

ANTIRRHINUM (Snapdragon). Gayly colored flowers; choice mixed blotched varieties. Packet, 5 cts.

ADONIS. Bright scarlet flowers. Best mixture. Packet, 5 cts.



IMPROVED VICTORIA ASTER.

ASTER. Improved Victoria. The most handsome Aster in cultivation. I have an excellent strain of it. Flowers very large and perfectly double. Handsome globular shape. A very choice variety. Packet, 5 cts.

ASTER. Hammond's Premium. Mixed.

This is, without exception, the finest mixture of Asters ever sent out by any seedsmen. No pains or expense have been spared in the selection of this superb mixture, which comprises New Japanese Asters, Yellow Aster, Mary Semple, Dwarf Queen, Peony Flowered, Fire King, New Diamond, White Queen, Crimson, Dark Blue, Light Blue, and a blending of the very choicest varieties obtainable. I can guarantee this superb strain of Asters equal to any on the market. No other annual can afford so magnificent a display during the summer and fall months. Packet, 5 cts.

COMET ASTERS. As now developed, they are fifteen inches high, completely covered with superb, large double flowers of artistic beauty, resembling the finest Chinese Chrysanthemums. Bright blue, clear carmine, lilac, Giant White and many other colors in unequaled mixture. A beautiful strain. Packet, 5 cts.

BACHELOR'S BUTTON (Feverfew Centaures). One of the most attractive of hardy annuals. Easily grown, flowers freely. Height, two to three feet. All colors, including dark and light blue, purple, pink, rose, white, etc. Pkt., 5 cts.

DEFIANCE BALSAMS. My mixture of Balsams are certainly unequaled in uniform doubleness and large size of flowers. This mixture has been improved and selected with greatest care and is far superior to the Camellia Flowered variety. My superb mixture of Defiance Balsams contains Chamois Rose, Pure Pink, Rose, White Spotted, Royal Purple, Scarlet, Violet, White Spotted, White and tinted Lilac, in equal proportions. Packet, 5 cts.

CALENDULA. The old pot Marigold has been greatly improved. Double flowers, choice mixture of brilliant colors. Packet, 5 cts.

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CALLIOPSIS. Compact plants covered with bright golden flowers. Rich velvety, and orange colors in choicest mixture. Pkt., 5 cts.

CANARY BIRD FLOWER. One of our most beautiful annual climbers. Very ornamental. Bright golden yellow flowers. Pkt., 5 cts.

CARNATIONS. (Improved Dwarf Marguerite) These lovely fragrant Carnations are in full bloom four months after sowing the seed. Succeeds in garden or pot. Vigorous, dwarf, erect growth. Flowers perfectly double. Colors variegated. This is a very popular acquisition to our list of flower seeds. Should be grown everywhere. The seed is yet scarce. Finest colors mixed. Pkt., 5 cts.

CANDYTUFT. Among the most useful of hardy annuals. Produces neat clusters of flowers freely. Makes a splendid border. Tom Thumb, Snow Queen, White, Rocket, Crimson, and Carmine mixed. Pkt., 5 cts.

COCKSCOMBS. Easily grown from seed. One of the most showy and brilliant of annuals. All colors, yellow, scarlet, purple, rose, etc. Pkt., 5 cts.

COBOEA SCANDENS. One of the most graceful of annual climbers. Pkt., 5 cts.

COSMOS. Of rapid growth, and make large bushes, five feet high; of elegant foliage until they bloom in August. Hundreds of showy flowers, pure white, flesh color, light pink, and deep rose in color, with a bright yellow center. My own selection. Finest mixed. Pkt., 5 cts.

CYPRESS VINE. No vines are more graceful for covering trellises, fences, tree stumps, etc. Few grow so easily from seed. Pkt., 5 cts.

ANNUAL CHRYSANTHEMUMS. They have no resemblance to the perennial varieties, but have a distinct beauty. Plants grow twelve to eighteen inches high and produce many bright colors. Bloom in eight weeks from seed. Finest mixed. Embracing all colors. Pkt., 5 cts.

DAHLIA. The Double Dahlia is well known, grown easily and flowers beautifully the first season from seed. Mixed. Pkt., 5 cts.

DIANTHUS. (Pinks). The China and Japan Pinks are very popular, as few flowers can equal them in beauty and profusion of bloom. My choice selected mixture comprises all the distinct and most beautifully marked varieties of rich and varied colors. They bloom continually all summer and fall. My superior strain cannot be surpassed. Pkt., 5 cts.

FORGET-ME-NOT. Well known garden favorites. Flowers freely from seed the first summer. Blue, Sky Blue, White, Mixed. Pkt., 5 cts.

GOURDS. (Climbing). These curious and interesting plants should be more largely grown. Nest Egg, Dipper, Sugar Trough varieties. Mixed. Pkt., 5 cts.

GODETIA. Another beautiful annual, adapted to any soil. All the choicest varieties carefully mixed. Pkt., 5 cts.

DOUBLE HOLLYHOCKS. Everyone knows this popular flower. My own growth comprising all choicest colors in equal mixture. Pkt., 5 cts.

HELIOTROPE. I could devote a page to this handsome flower. Height two feet. Succeeds everywhere. Their fragrance is delicious. Pkt., 5 cts.

LARKSPUR. Well known annuals of great beauty. Finest mixed. Pkt., 5 cts.

LOBELIAS. Grows four to six inches high, forms dense masses of flowers. Adapted for bedding or edging. Finest mixed. Pkt., 5 cts.

MARIGOLDS. Blooms are of rich colors. Perfectly double. All choicest colors comprising, Reddish Brown, Orange, Golden Yellow, Striped, etc. A superb mixture of this popular flower. Pkt., 5 cts.

MARVEL OF PERU. (Four O'Clock). Easily grown as a weed. In beds or masses their bloom is a gorgeous sight during the afternoon. All colors mixed. Pkt., 5 cts.



HAMMOND'S IMPROVED MIGNONETTE.

MIGNONETTE. This is a universal favorite on account of its sweet and delicate fragrance. Seed should be scattered liberally in sunny situations. My mixture of the newest varieties are of wonderful perfection. Varieties contained in this superb mixture, comprise, Improved Sweet, Golden Queen, Quaker City, Pure Machet, Giant Flowered Red, Erfurt, and many other popular sorts. Pkt., 5 cts.

NEW IMPERIAL JAPANESE MORNING GLORIES. A great novelty, now offered by leading seedsmen. Comes from Japan and is far superior to our common varieties of Morning Glory. They are very odd, of many choice colors, beautifully tinted. Do not fail to include this in your order, it is very popular, wherever grown. Pkt., 5 cts.

TALL MORNING GLORIES. Seed of Morning Glory is so cheap, flowers so bright, and vines of such rapid growth, it should be largely planted to cover trellises and outhouses. Choice mixed. Pkt., 5 cts., per oz., 10 cts.

PETUNIA. The Petunia is the people's flower. Succeeds well everywhere. They are showy in beds or masses. Are universal favorites on account of their richness of color, fragrance, and continuous blooming. My supply of Petunia has been selected with greatest care, and I offer only the very choicest sorts in one grand mixture. It includes Fancy Fringed Double, Defiance Largest Flowering, Ruffled, Rainbow, Dark Blue, Giant Emperor, Giant of California, and many other popular sorts. Should be in every garden. Pkt., 5 cts.

PHLOX DRUMMONDI. Few flowers are more showy or brilliant than this popular annual. It thrives everywhere. The Improved Grandiflora varieties particularly the Strain I offer are exceptionally beautiful. My mixture contains New Fringed Phlox, Fordhook, Eclipse, Large Blood Red, Pure White, Fireball Scarlet, Snowball and other choice sorts in equal mixture. I have taken great pains in the selection of my Phlox seed. Pkt., 5 cts.

POPPIES. Poppy seed is very small, it should be sown thickly and plants thinned out. A packet contains more than one thousand seeds. My mixture of finest double poppies is made up of equal parts of Fairy Blush, Cardinal, Mikado, Vesuvius, Snowdrift, Golden Gate, Shirley, Nankeen Yellow and New Tulip each of which can be easily named when in flower. A truly royal mixture. Pkt., 5 cts.

Hammond's Best Mixed---New Sweet Peas.

This new mixture of Sweet Peas is undoubtedly the finest ever offered. My own special mixture, it contains only grand new-named varieties of the large flowering type. The seed has been carefully grown from selected stocks, and mixed by ourselves. As an example of the high quality I have aimed to make this mixture, I need only state that it comprises *Blanche Burpee*, *Aurora*, *Maid of Honor*, *New Countess*, *Brilliant*, *Captivation*, as well as *Eckford's* latest novelties, *Countess of Aberdeen*, *Crown Jewel*, and *Mikado*; also, *Grey Friar*, *Juanita*, *Ramona*, *Blanche Ferry*, *Emily Henderson*, *America*, *Apple Blossom*, *Emily Eckford*, *Gayety*, *Her Majesty*, *Lemon Queen*, *Meteor* and *Daybreak*. The above twenty-two varieties, in equal mixture I am proud to say, forms the choicest mixture of Sweet Peas ever offered by any American seedsman. Per large pkt., 10 cts.; oz., 15 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 25 cts.; per lb., 60 cts., postpaid.

ECKFORD'S NEW SWEET PEAS. Finest mixed. This strain, although not embracing the latest novelties, contains a beautiful assortment of the famous *Eckford Sweet Peas*, Pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 8 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 15 cts.; per lb., 40 cts., postpaid.

CHEAP MIXED SWEET PEAS. This is the mixture sold by other seedsmen at 50 cts. a lb. To meet competition I offer them low, but do not recommend them, as they are common varieties. Per oz., 5 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 10 cts.; per lb., 30 cts., postpaid.



HAMMOND'S SWEET PEAS.

PORTULACA. In brilliancy and beauty of color *Portulacas* are unrivaled. Thrive everywhere, even on sandy soil. Double rose, flowered white, double orange and red, carefully mixed. Pkt., 5 cts.

RICINUS ZANZIBARENSIS (Castor Oil Bean). Planted on the lawn, it makes a perfect pyramid of foliage, with gigantic leaves. Ornamental until killed by frost. Mixed. Pkt., 5 cts.

SCABIOSA, or Mourning Bride. Perfectly double flowers, useful for cutting. Gracefully borne upon long, slender stems. Range of color from white to rich pink, crimson to deep red, lilac and black. Mixed. Pkt., 5 cts.

SWEET WILLIAM. As now improved they make matchless border plants. A splendid strain of all bright colors, of single and double varieties. Pkt., 5 cts.

STOCK, Ten Weeks. Desirable as pot plants, as well as in the open garden. I offer seventeen choicest colors in one grand mixture. Crimson, yellow, rose, blue, white, brown, golden, etc. Pkt., 5 cts.

VERBENA. New Mammoth. Everyone knows this popular flower. Sown in spring, they flower early in the season. My strain of extra fine *Verbenas* comprises a collection of many bright and pleasing colors, not surpassed by any in the market. Pure white, scarlet, blue, primrose, Italian striped, and many other choice varieties, comprise my superb mixture. Pkt., 5 cts.

ZINNIAS. No flowers are more easily grown, and few more beautiful than the *Zinnia*. My newer strains have attained perfection. I have selected the very choicest varieties, and offer them in a superb mixture. All double flowers. Pkt., 5 cts.

WILD FLOWER GARDEN MIXTURE. These mixed flower seeds embrace more than a hundred varieties of easy growing, pretty flowers, suitable for forming a wild flower garden. Pkt., 5 cts.

TOM THUMB NASTURTIUMS. The improved Dwarf, or Tom Thumb Nasturtiums are unrivaled in beauty and effect. Planted in poor soil, they flower profusely. Plant liberally. I offer the very choicest varieties, *Rose*, *Spotted King*, *Golden Ruby*, *Lady Bird*, *King of Tom Thumbs*, *Empress of India*, and other choice varieties, in equal mixture. Pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 10 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 25 cts.; per lb., 80 cts., postpaid.

TALL NASTURTIUMS. Few flowers, either as climbing vines or trailing on the ground, are more attractive and bright than the common Tall Nasturtiums. I offer the finest varieties, and recommend buying seed by the ounce. I have secured only the choicest sorts, and prepared a grand mixture not surpassed by any on earth. Only the handsomest varieties comprise this superb mixture. Pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 10 cts.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 25 cts.; per lb., 80 cts., postpaid.



HAMMOND'S PREMIUM MIXED PANSIES.

PANSIES. Pansy seed is one of my great specialties. I not only have the choicest varieties, but also the very best quality of seed. I import my Pansy seed direct from Germany, where the finest is grown.

HAMMOND'S PREMIUM MIXED PANSY. Remarkable for the extra large size of the flowers. The varieties which comprise this mixture, namely, *Odier*, *Rainbow*, *Prince Bismarck*, *Snow Queen*, *King of Blacks*, *Lord Beaconsfield*, *Emperor William*, *Indigo Blue*, purple, yellow, and the striped varieties, form the choicest mixture any person could desire. Pkt., 5 cts.

IMPERIAL GERMAN PANSIES. Are famous for their large size and endless variety of charming colors. My mixture embraces all the solid or self colors; delicately shaded, five and three spotted, edged and bordered. There are over fifty markings in this superb mixture. Very popular. Pkt., 5 cts.



TOM THUMB NASTURTIUMS.

BARGAINS IN FLOWER SEEDS.

No Extra Packet Seeds allowed with Collections.

These collections are put up before the rush of the busy season and we cannot permit any change or substitution. I sell these collections *Below Cost* to introduce my *Superior Flower Seeds* everywhere.

My 50 Cent Bargain Collection contains 20 Packets as follows:

Aster, Choicest Mixed.
Balsam, Defiance, Mixed.
Phlox, Drummondii.
Tall Nasturtium, Mixed.
Pansy, Hammond's Premium, Mixed.
Mignonette, Sweet.
Japanese Climbing Morning Glory.
Marigold, Choice Double.
Sweet Peas, Hammond's Best Mixed.
Verbena, Choice Mixed.

Tom Thumb Nasturtiums, Mixed.
Margaret Carnation, Mixed.
Chrysanthemums, Mixed.
Candytuft, Mixed.
Sweet Alyssum, Mixed.
Larkspur, Mixed.
Cosmos, Mixed.
Petunia, Mixed.
Heliotrope, Mixed.
Dianthus—Pinks, Mixed.

I will send the above 20 packets of *Choicest Flower Seeds* to any address, by mail, postpaid, on receipt of 50 cents in stamps or cash. Five collections, to one, or different addresses, if desired, for \$2.00.

A Greater Bargain in Flower Seeds.

42 packets of Choicest Flower Seeds postpaid for \$1.00. Every man receiving this catalogue should purchase the following collection of *Choicest Flower Seeds* for his wife's *Flower Garden*. It is the greatest bargain offer ever made by any Seedsman, because the seeds are all guaranteed *Fresh* 1897 crop and are *sure to grow*. The *quality* being the *Best* and the fact that I offer the above 20 packets and the following 22 packets, making a total of 42 packets of the *Best Flower Seeds* in America, for \$1.00, postpaid, ought to induce everyone to give them a trial. I am selling these collections *Below Cost* to introduce. If you wish just the following 22 packets, will send them for 50c Postpaid.

Ageratum, Choice Mixed.
Antirrhinum, Snapdragon.
Comet, Asters.
Calendula, Mixed.
Cockscombs, Mixed.
Cypress Vine.
Dahlia, Double Mixed.
Forget-Me-Not.
Gourds, All Kinds.
Double Hollyhock, Mixed.
Godetia, Mixed.
Marvel of Peru, 4 o'clock.

Morning Glory, Mixed.
Poppies, Choice, Mixed.
Portulaca.
Ricinus Zanzibarensis, Castor Oil Bean.
Scabiosa.
Sweet William.
Stocks, Ten Weeks.
Eckford's New Sweet Peas.
Imperial German Pansies.
Zinnias, Choice Mixed.

Send \$1.00 stamps, bill or coin, and you will receive the 42 packets by return mail. 3 collections to one or different addresses for \$2.00 Postpaid. Regular catalogue price would be \$2.25. Is it not a great bargain? Address all orders to Harry N. Hammond.

Hammond's Vegetable Collections for 1898.

No Extra Packet Seeds allowed with Collections.

To further introduce *My Superior Michigan Northern Grown Seeds* I offer the following collection of 20 Packets of Choicest Vegetable Seeds, composed of my *choicest specialties*. These collections are my regular *large size packets*, and not put up for the occasion. At my low catalogue prices the twenty packets would cost \$1.25. These collections are put up before the busy season. I cannot permit any changes. I offer them *below cost* to introduce. Prices on collections are net; no extra seeds can be selected. For *50 cents* I will send by mail, all postage paid, *Twenty Full Sized Packets* of the following *Novelties* and *Specialties*:—

New Electric Beet.
Early Jersey Wakefield Cabbage.
New Lupton Cabbage.
White Plume Celery.
Danver's Carrot.
Fordhook White Spine Cucumber.
Grand Rapids Lettuce.
New Bright Breakfast Radish.
Purple Top Milan Turnip.
Improved Guernsey Parsnip.

New Imperial Tomato.
Yellow Globe Danver's Onion.
New Victoria Spinach.
Grand Rapids Muskmelon.
McIver Sugar Watermelon.
N. Y. Improved Purple Egg Plant.
Earliest Carmine Radish.
Ruby King Pepper.
King of Mammoth Pumpkin.
Long Standing Spinach.

I send the above *twenty packets*, neatly packed, postpaid by mail, for only 50 cents, in stamps or cash. Five collections, to one or different addresses if desired, for \$2.00, postpaid.

A Complete Vegetable Garden for \$1.00.

My Special Introduction Box of Seeds embraces forty full sized packets of the *Choicest Vegetable Seeds*, including all the twenty varieties above named, and the twenty varieties described below, all postpaid, for only \$1.00, which, at regular low catalogue prices, cost \$2.50.

Hammond's Butter Wax Beans.
Extra Early Red Valentine Beans.
First and Best Peas.
Nott's Excelsior Peas.
New Pea Juno.
First Of All Sweet Corn.
Stowell's Evergreen Corn.
New Iceberg Lettuce.
Kohl-Rabi.
Endive.

Mammoth White Bush Scalloped Squash.
Chicago Warty Hubbard Squash.
Extra Curled Dwarf Parsley.
Improved Purple Top Ruta Baga.
Giant Pascal Celery.
Prizetaker Onion.
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Melrose Muskmelon.
Early Russian Cucumber.
Borecole or Kale.

Send a \$1.00 bill, P. O. Order, or Stamps, and I will send you by return mail, postage paid, the above *forty packets* of *choicest Vegetable Seeds*, neatly and securely packed, and if not satisfactory, will return your money. What can be fairer? Show this to your neighbors and get them to send with you. I will mail three of above collections to one or different addresses for only \$2.50, which is way *below cost*.

Address all Orders to

HARRY N. HAMMOND, Seedsman.

ORDER SHEET for SEEDS, SEED POTATOES, ETC.

Harry N. Hammond, Decatur, Mich.

Date, 1898.

Cash Must Accompany all Orders.

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P. O. Order \$.....

Draft - - \$.....

Cash - - **\$**.....

Stamps - \$.....

Total - \$.....

PREMIUMS. For every Dollar you send me for SEEDS of any kind at CATALOGUE PRICES, you may select FREE, EXTRA VEGETABLE or FLOWER SEEDS in PACKETS, to the amount of FIFTY CENTS. This gives you \$1.50 worth of Seeds for \$1.00. See FREE SEED DISTRIBUTION last cover page of Catalogue, for particulars.

👉 I also GIVE sample packets of New Varieties, FREE, for trial. Hammond's Wonderful NEW POTATO, see page 12 of catalogue.

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Make out list of Free Packet Seeds on this side.

Quantity.	NAMES OF SEEDS ORDERED.	PRICE.
	<p>If you want the best <u>Seed Potatoes</u>, plant <u>Michigan New Muck Land</u> <u>Pedigree Seed</u>. There can be only one <u>best</u>.</p> <p>HARRY N. HAMMOND, SEEDSMAN,</p> <p>DECATUR, MICH.</p>	

Kindly write below the Names and Addresses of a few persons who buy Seeds. I wish to send them my Catalogue. I will add a few extras to your order, for the trouble. I want new names—those that have not received my catalogue:

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TESTIMONIALS in Favor of Early Michigan Potato, Michigan Wonder Oats and Hammond's Michigan Northern Grown New Muck Land Seed Potatoes.

For lack of space I publish only a few testimonials in this catalogue. A printed circular of thousands of testimonials in favor of Hammond's Seed Potatoes and other seeds will be sent to any address on request.

John F. Martin, Wood Co., Kan., Aug. 22 writes: "I send you to-day tuber of *Early Michigan* potato I grew from the three potatoes you sent me last spring. They are the *earliest potato* I have ever planted, and I have got 20 different kinds. They ripened here July 10th."

A. S. Knight, Rock Co., Wis., April 26, writes: "The box of potatoes I ordered from you reached me in good condition. I thank you for the very liberal samples of *Early Michigan* and think the whole lot are the handsomest potatoes I ever received."

J. S. Steele, Madison Co., Ind., Sept. 12, writes: "The pound of *Early Michigan* potatoes you sent me last spring produced 151 pounds of nice potatoes. All the other kinds did well."

Orrin Smith, Lincoln Co., R. I., Oct. 20, writes: "The *Early Michigan* potatoes you sent me last spring were planted April 28th; on June 26th I commenced digging for table use. They are very *handsome*, good quality, very few small potatoes. They yielded about 300 bushels per acre. I consider the *Early Michigan* a very desirable variety for home use or market."

John Schippe, Allegan Co., Mich., Oct. 19, writes: "I send you to-day one of the *Early Michigan* potatoes I raised from seed I bought of you last spring. I can say that it is the best potato I ever raised. From the one pound I raised 136 pounds. Who can beat this; if there is anybody I would like to hear from him."

C. S. Brace, Lockport, N. Y., Nov. 30, writes: "I want to tell you about the *Early Michigan* and *Carman No. 3* seed potatoes I got of you last spring. I planted them May 1; had no rain until July 20. The *Early Michigan* and *Carman No. 3* were so fine I exhibited them at our county fair and walked off with first prize on both varieties. I think your MUCK LAND is just the thing to put NEW BLOOD in potatoes. What have you new and desirable?"

J. W. Wilson, Huron Co., Ohio, Oct. 26, writes: "I am more than pleased with the potatoes I purchased of you last spring. The Livingston Banner made a wonderful yield. *Early Fortune* and *Carman No. 3* are superb. But the four little *Early Michigan* potatoes you sent me were clear out of sight. They contained 28 eyes in all. I cut them in single eye pieces and planted on good soil. The result was surprising; I would not believe it if I had not dug them myself. I had 250 extra large, fine tubers, from the 28 eyes. They are the leaders of all kinds I planted this season. They ripened with *Early Ohio*. I think they will be the leading market potato."

John W. Alton, Jackson Co., Ill., Oct. 12, writes: "The *Early Michigan*, *Carman No. 3* and *Livingston Banner* potatoes I bought of you last spring were the finest specimens I ever received from any seedman. The *Early Michigan* outyielded Burpee's Extra Early, Freeman, Rose and *Early Ohio*, by 100 bushels per acre. Livingston's Banner is a nice round, smooth potato, and an enormous yielder, although it was outyielded by the *Early Michigan*."

A. B. Fenton, Licking Co., Ohio, Sept. 13, writes: "The fame of the *Michigan Wonder Oats* having spread to my neighbor I took pains to test them, and I am happy to be able to say that the results have more than equaled the recommendation given them. They mature *earlier* and excel in *productiveness* and quality any kind that I have heretofore grown."

J. S. Barrett, Ford Co., Ill., Sept. 22, writes: "I take great pleasure in testifying to the merits of the *Michigan Wonder Oats*. I find them to be free from rust, of great weight of grain, straw very strong, and are a long ways the *best feeding oats* I have ever known. *Extremely early*; in fact the earliest oats I ever grew."

Wm. F. Skinner, Marion Co., Ind., Aug. 19, writes: "I just finished threshing my *Michigan Wonder Oats* from the ten bushels sown. I have 476 bushels, machine measure. They are extra early. *Very stiff straw*; in this respect I think they are the best oat I ever raised. My crop weighs 40 pounds per bushel, machine measure. I have already sold 200 bushels to my neighbors, at 65 cents a bushel."

Wm. S. Perkins, Miami Co., Ind., Oct. 10, writes: "The seed potatoes I purchased of you last spring did remarkably well. The *Early Michigan* outyielded nine other leading extra earlies. It is the finest quality potato I have ever grown. I purchased seed potatoes in eight States last spring, and from careful trials, I am convinced that your *Michigan grown new muck land seed potatoes* produces 50 to 100 per cent. more potatoes than from seed from any other section of America. I also found your potatoes to be the *largest, smoothest* and by far the *cheapest*. I buy new seed every spring and you may book me for a lifelong customer."

Chas. M. Howell, Seneca Co., N. Y., Sept. 16, writes: "I have just finished digging my potatoes. *Early Fortune*, yielded 295 bushels per acre, *Carman No. 3* 364 bushels per acre and *Early Michigan*, the best in *yield, earliness and quality*, yielded at the rate of 496½ bushels per acre. Your *Corrosive Sublimate Compound* for the treatment of potato scab, is a *grand discovery*. I used your *Compound* last spring in the treatment of all seed potatoes, and now have the *smoothest* lot of potatoes I ever raised. In my entire crop of 897 bushels I do not think there can be found one peck of scabby potatoes."

PRICE BUYERS vs. QUALITY BUYERS.

Considerable space is devoted to this subject in many of the large and expensive catalogues to make buyers believe that seeds must be high priced to be of good quality. Just think one minute. In your opinion can a seedsmen with a catalogue of from 125 to 200 pages, colored plates and lithograph covers, sell seeds as cheap as I can with this catalogue of but 40 pages? They offer many varieties that there is little or no sale for, while I offer standard sorts that always sell and no surplus stock is left on hand at end of season. Seeds are made high priced by dealers who issue elaborate catalogues. I guarantee my seeds as good as any offered in this country and over one-half million people who have planted them have found it so.

MY GUARANTEE.

I guarantee that all seeds and other goods sent out from my establishment shall reach the purchaser safe, in good condition, be fresh and true to name, to grow if properly planted, and if such should not prove the case I will refill the order free of charge, providing sufficient proof is given me within a reasonable time. I cannot guarantee crops and will not be held responsible for them.

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Free Seed Distribution!!

THE GREATEST OFFER EVER MADE BY ANY AMERICAN SEEDSMAN.

THIS offer was never equaled. Government Free Seeds are not in it. Hammond's Michigan Northern Grown New Muck Land Seed Potatoes, Farm and Garden Seeds have always been considered the Best Seeds obtainable by all who have been so fortunate as to purchase them. Many thousands now use my Seeds to the exclusion of all others. Although so well known, I want 100,000 New Customers this year. This is My Banner Introduction Year. I have put my Prices Down to Actual Cost of Growing and Advertising the Best Seeds that Grow. I give my customers the profits. I have put up at an expense of \$15,000, 500,000 Packets of Vegetable and Flower Seeds which I will

Give Away Absolutely Free

For Trial this Spring. My plan is as follows: Order Seed Potatoes, Farm, Garden, or Flower Seeds from this Catalogue to the amount of \$1.00 at catalogue prices, and you may select, **Free**, extra Vegetable and Flower Seeds in Packets to the amount of 50 cents.

Order to Amount of \$ 2 00 and Select Extra Packet Seeds to Amount of \$ 1.00									
"	"	"	"	3 00	"	"	"	"	1.50
"	"	"	"	5 00	"	"	"	"	2.50
"	"	"	"	10.00	"	"	"	"	5.00
"	"	"	"	20.00	"	"	"	"	10.00

And so on, for every Dollar you send me (from \$1.00 to \$50.00) for Seeds at Catalogue prices, you may select, **Free**, extra Vegetable or Flower Seeds in packets to the amount of 50 cents for each and every dollar you send me.

WHY NOT GET UP A CLUB ORDER of \$25.00 to \$50.00 among your neighbors for Hammond's Seeds and thus get **Absolutely Free** for yourself \$12.50 or \$25.00 worth of Packet Seeds? For example, if you purchase a bushel of Seed Potatoes quoted at \$1.00, you are entitled to select **extra Packet Seeds** to amount of 50 cents. Or one barrel at \$3.00, select to amount of \$1.50. Or a pound of Onion Seed at \$1.00, select to amount of 50 cents. And further, when you order Seeds by Mail I also Pay the Postage on the **Free Packet Seeds** you select. If your order is sent by express or freight I will then send your **Free Seeds** together with your order. Thanking my patrons for their liberal patronage of the past and soliciting your future orders, I remain yours to command,

HARRY N. HAMMOND.